

# *City of Rutland, Vt.*



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**July 1, 1953 - June 30, 1954**

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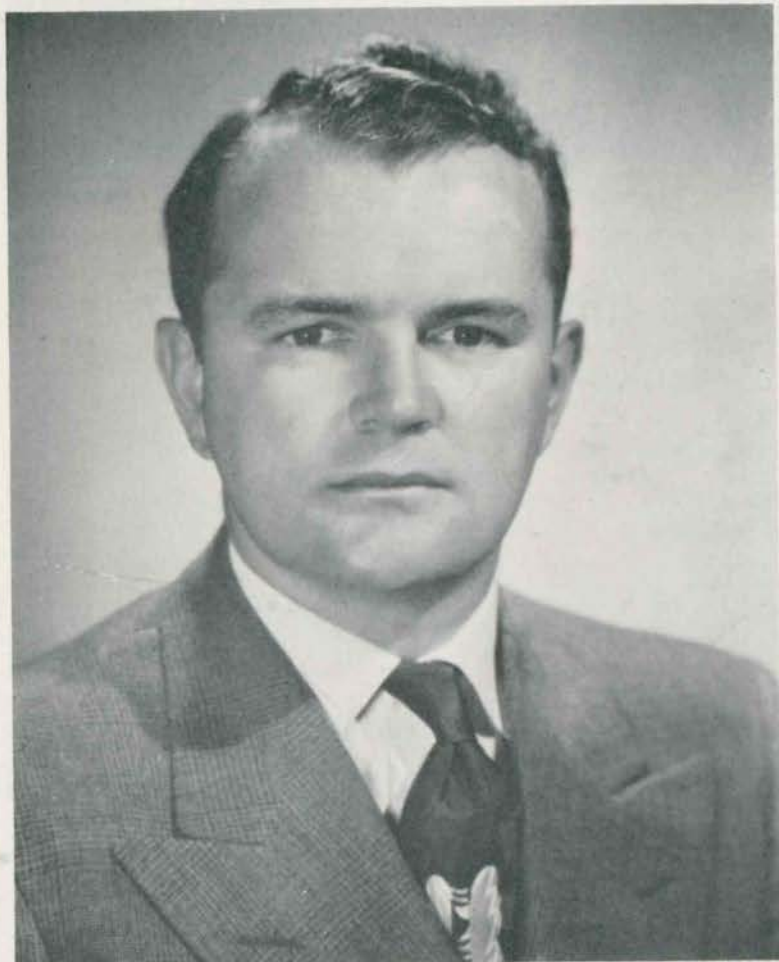
**Fiscal Year  
JULY 1, 1953 TO JUNE 30, 1954**



**RUTLAND, VERMONT**

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JOHN E. DONAHUE

President of the Board of Aldermen  
Accidentally drowned September 19, 1953

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## Foreword

This report, published to acquaint the citizens and taxpayers of the City of Rutland with the policies of their City Government, contains an analysis of expenditures and activities of the various departments for the fiscal year July 1, 1953 to June 30, 1954.

Worthwhile improvements were made in many departments through the innovation of additional and better equipment. Much has been accomplished during the past year in the way of construction of permanent roads in our City.

In the School Department, advances have been made in adjusting the school to the needs of the child and in developing a better understanding of children. The School plant shows a steady improvement, both in added facilities and in general care and upkeep of buildings.

While detailed data in considerable volume has been eliminated from various departmental reports as herein published, the detail omitted is on file at the office of the City Clerk and may be examined there.

Any interested citizen is welcome at any time to call at the City Hall and examine vouchers and cancelled checks.

On the last page of this report appears a statement showing comparative operating expenses of the different City Departments for several years. We urge you to read this table in order that you may know to what extent departmental expenditures have necessarily increased. Budget figures for present fiscal year are also shown.

The Administration desires to express appreciation for cooperation given it and again to urge citizens to attend the bi-monthly Council Meetings.



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## Municipal Directory

### MAYOR

Honorable Dan J. Healy  
72 Forest Street  
(Term Expires Mar. 14, 1955)

### BOARD OF ALDERMEN

Arthur E. Crowley, *President*  
34 North Street

Joseph A. Abel, 52 Litchfield Ave.	Term expires Mar. 14, 1955
Daniel W. Allen, 50 Chestnut Ave.	" " " " "
Arthur E. Crowley, 34 North St.	" " " " "
Raymond T. Hannon, 105 South St.	" " " " "
Charles H. Norton, 115 No. Main St.	" " " " "
John A. Russell, 17 Melrose Ave.	" " " " "
Hollis I. Loveland, 465 West St.	Term expires Mar. 14, 1956
James F. McNeil, 44 Elm St.	" " " " "
Joseph R. Paul, 263 Lincoln Ave.	" " " " "
Mary V. Quigley, 88 Center St.	" " " " "
Francis P. Waterman, 122 Woodstock Ave.	" " " " "

### BOARD OF FINANCE

The Mayor, Ex-Officio, *Chairman*  
The President of the Board of Aldermen  
The City Treasurer

### BOARD OF SCHOOL COMMISSIONERS

Norman E. Bartlett, 133 Grove St.  
*President*

Axel J. Anderson, 25 E. Center St.	Term expires Mar. 14, 1955
Elizabeth F. Carmichael, 82 Edgerton St.	" " " " "
George J. Ravit, 139 Killington Ave.	" " " " "
Laurence D. Ward, 5 Newton St.	" " " " "
Norman E. Bartlett, 133 Grove St.	Term expires Mar. 14, 1956
Robert M. Higgins, 51 E. Washington St.	" " " " "
Henry L. Pratt, 87 No. Main St.	" " " " "
Charles W. Conner, 7 Temple St.	Term expires Mar. 14, 1957
George Gus Corsones, 26 Howard Ave.	" " " " "
Gordon B. Smith, Highland Ave.	" " " " "
Leonard F. Wing, Jr., 19 Division St.	" " " " "

### \*SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

Homer B. Ashland  
43 Crescent Street

*\*Appointed by School Commissioners.*



# Administrative Personnel

City Clerk and Purchasing Agent.....	Henry P. Battles
*City Treasurer.....	W. Joseph Simonds
City Attorney.....	James T. Haugh
*City Constable.....	John J. Carbine
*Tax Collector.....	John J. Carbine
†Judge of City Court.....	A. J. Spero
Chief of Fire Department.....	Alfred H. Koltonski
Chief of Police.....	J. Fred Carbine
*Assessors.....	George T. Moroney, Geo. W. Donahue, Herman H. Kinsman

Commissioner of Public Works	}	.....	Edward J. Crowley
City Engineer			
Superintendent of Streets	}	.....	John C. Wellwood
Superintendent of Water			
Overseer of the Poor	}	.....	Charles D. Beale
Health Officer			
Milk Inspector	}	.....	Guy E. Thayer
Inspector of Buildings			
and Zoning Administrator.....			N. H. Cox
Meat Inspector.....			William H. Suchs
Acting Recreation Superintendent.....			Sanford H. Greggs
Assistant Recreation Superintendent.....			

## MEMBERS OF BOARD OF ZONING ADJUSTMENT

Elroy M. Chase, Chairman	Term expires Mar. 31, 1957
Hayden Labrake, Secretary	" " " " "
Robert V. N. Davis	" " " " "
Emmett L. Fagan	" " " " "
Joseph H. Vargas, Jr.	" " " " "

## BOARD OF HEALTH

Dr. Harry R. Ryan, Jr.	Term expires 1955
Dr. Gordon B. Smith	" " 1956
Dr. Charles D. Beale, Health Officer	" " 1957
Fred Beauchamp	" " 1957

## COMMISSIONERS OF SINKING FUND

John W. Burke	Term expires 1955
Henry A. Dahlgren	" " 1956
Charles H. Landon	" " 1957

\*Elected—All others appointed.

†Appointed by Governor.

## PENSION COMMITTEE

Alfred H. Koltonski	Term expires Mar. 15, 1955
Raymond T. Hannon	" " " " 1956
Robert M. Higgins	" " " " 1956
John E. Howard	" " " " 1957
John L. Dinn	" " " " 1959
E. R. Purdy	" " " " 1960

## AUDITORS

Francis J. Casavaw	John E. Donahue	W. Howard Sherman
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## CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS

Fred A. Field, Jr.	Walter F. Chapman	Beth R. Smith
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## AIRPORT COMMISSIONERS

William I. Ginsburg	Albert A. Cree	Peter ValPreda
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## BOARD OF HIGHWAY COMMISSIONERS

Edward J. Crowley	Arthur E. Crowley	Dan J. Healy
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## MAYORS OF THE CITY OF RUTLAND

John A. Mead.....	1893
Levi G. Kingsley.....	1894
John A. Sheldon.....	1895
Thomas H. Browne.....	1896
Percival W. Clement.....	1897-1898, 1911-1912
William Y. W. Ripley.....	1899
John D. Spellman.....	1900
J. Burton Hollister.....	1901
David W. Temple.....	1902-1903
Jack S. Carder.....	1904
J. Forest Manning.....	1905
Charles E. Paige.....	1906
Rollin L. Richmond.....	1907
Henry O. Carpenter.....	1908-1910
*Charles L. Howe.....	1912
Henry C. Brislin.....	1913-1914, 1917-1918
Bert L. Stafford.....	1915-1916
James C. Dunn.....	1919-1926
Arthur W. Perkins.....	1927-1934
Henry H. Branchaud.....	1935-1938
Henry B. Carpenter.....	1939-1942
Wayne N. Temple.....	1943-1949
Dan J. Healy.....	1949-

\*Succeeded Percival W. Clement, June 9, 1912.

## Ward Officers

Elected March 2, 1954

Ward	Ward Clerk	Inspectors of Election
1.	Edward S. Pike	Kendrick E. Day, 1st C. Irene Reedy, 2nd Gene E. Noble, 3rd
2.	Ellen E. Burke	Vesta D. Davison, 1st Margaret C. Hinchey, 2nd John J. Carbine, 3rd
3.	Helen R. Mullen	Anna C. Carpenter, 1st Mary H. Dwyer, 2nd Ethel W. Stearns, 3rd
4.	Martin L. Gleason	Dennis J. Anthony, 1st Mary V. Quigley, 2nd Thomas F. Moylan, 3rd
5.	Harry L. Russell	Richard W. Bolster, 1st Charles F. Bruce, 2nd Mary C. Robillard, 3rd
6.	Annette B. Depan	Margaret E. Canary, 1st Alma F. Bartlett, 2nd Etta R. Leahey, 3rd
7.	Katherine E. Healy	Lucia I. Rice, 1st Elizabeth Manfreda, 2nd Ruth LaVecchia, 3rd
8.	Emma L. McGarry	Margaret E. Dalto, 1st Almeda G. Carmody, 2nd Margaret M. Cummings, 3rd
9.	Lawrence E. Hunt	Jay W. Smith, 1st Percy P. Wood, 2nd Frances T. Shouldice, 3rd
10.	Frances M. Bartlett	Frances M. Alwill, 1st Gustaf A. Anderson, 2nd Chas. J. Moroney, 3rd
11.	*Bernice K. Scofield	Eugene F. Butterfly, 1st Edgar H. Scofield, 2nd Frances K. Pollard, 3rd

\*Deceased.

## Facts About Rutland

### ASSESSED VALUATION

Real Property.....	\$19,337,718
Personal Property.....	3,304,625
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9,074 Polls.....	\$22,642,343
	907,400
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	\$23,549,743
Grand List (one percent).....	\$235,497.43

### TAX RATE (year ending 6-30-1954)

Education.....	\$1.94
Bond Payments.....	.43
Highways.....	.55
Library.....	.12
Rutland Hospital.....	.05
County Tax.....	.03
General.....	1.60
Pension.....	.25
Vermont Extension Service.....	.015
Child Welfare.....	.065
Deficit.....	.10
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Total.....	\$5.15**

Tax rate for year July 1, 1954 to June 30, 1955 \$5.30\*\*

\*\*Payable quarterly if desired.

### Polls Exempt

Over 70.....	1,604
Unable to pay.....	135
Students.....	42
In Service.....	139
Disabled Veterans and Wives, also Veterans' Widows	594
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	2,514

### BONDED DEBT

Year	Total	Less Sinking Fund	Net
Dec. 31, 1944.....	\$573,000.00	\$46,474.55	\$526,525.45
Dec. 31, 1945.....	479,000.00	35,521.35	443,478.65
Dec. 31, 1946.....	476,000.00	24,228.41	451,771.59
Dec. 31, 1947.....	503,000.00	12,672.33	490,327.67
Dec. 31, 1948.....	606,000.00		606,000.00
Dec. 31, 1949.....	601,000.00		601,000.00
Dec. 31, 1950.....	614,000.00		614,000.00
June 30, 1951.....	639,000.00		639,000.00
June 30, 1952.....	632,000.00		632,000.00
June 30, 1953.....	819,000.00		819,000.00
June 30, 1954.....	1,221,000.00		1,221,000.00



# Mayor's Message

*To the Citizens of Rutland:*

It is a pleasure to present this sixty-second report of the City of Rutland, covering municipal operations for the fiscal year from July 1, 1953 to June 30, 1954. This report carries a comprehensive summary of the city's business, together with comments from department heads, along with a complete accounting of financial operations for the past fiscal year.

Detailed information on the accomplishments of the various departments will be found in this report and it seems unnecessary for me to review them, however, I feel that I should mention briefly some of our municipal activities during the past year and outline plans for the current year.

Our road building program, inaugurated five years ago, resulted in considerable street construction during the year. In several instances, it was necessary to excavate old streets to a depth of several feet, remove the old clay bases which heaved perennially and replace them with stone and gravel before applying a permanent hard surface. This procedure is quite expensive but it is the only way that we can assure permanency. The excessive spring rains handicapped the start of this season's road work but it is hoped that the early fall will be mild enough to allow us to make up for the delayed start.

Since the last city report, the major highway improvement on U. S. Route 4 has been completed and work is now well under way on the U. S. Route 7 project, involving reconstruction of North and South Main Streets, parts of which were in a deplorable condition. This job is scheduled to be completed by September 1955 and when finished, we will have a beautiful new highway at a cost to the city of only twenty-five cents on the dollar spent for its construction. The Federal Government is contributing 50% of the entire cost of this project and the State is contributing 25%. By qualifying under the Federal-State-Urban program, the city has saved 75% of the cost of rebuilding this important artery of traffic.

As this message is being written, finishing touches are being put on a huge earthen bowl lying northeast of the city. When construction is finished, Rutland will finally have its long awaited new reservoir—nestled high above the city at an elevation where water supply and pressure should be plentiful for all the needs our city may ever have. The problem of an inadequate water supply has been with us for half a century and, at last, it seems to have been solved. We need no longer fear a water shortage, on the contrary, we can boast of a supply ample for any industrial user who may consider locating in our midst.

Within the past year, a proposal to secure the so-called Depot Park for an off street parking lot was submitted to the voters, who approved the purchase for a price of \$150,000.00. As this report goes to press, the construction work is progressing as rapidly as possible and this fall should see the opening of this new lot which will accommodate approximately 190 cars.

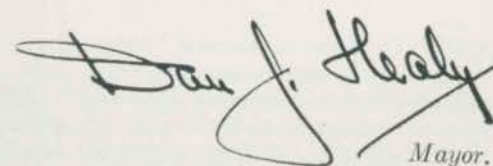
The new Northeast school, opened last September, added new school rooms to help meet additional requirements and the reconstruction of the Park Street School will give our school system at least four more modern class rooms.

With a new water supply, reconstructed roads, new and improved schools, better street lighting, a new parking facility, additional sidewalks and curbs, it is readily apparent that Rutland is really making progress. Approximately fifty new homes have been partly or full constructed during the past year. This is indeed a further barometer of progress and growth. The Tampax Company is ready to start construction of a new modern factory, the first unit of which will be ready for occupancy next fall. This will leave their present plant available to another manufacturing concern and it is hoped a heavy industry can be obtained for this fine building as soon as it becomes vacant.

In summarizing the year's activities, I have no hesitancy in saying that Rutland is definitely on the march. We are moving ahead steadily toward the accomplishments which we feel are necessary to make us a Grade A community in every respect. We are sorely in need of a municipal auditorium which will allow us to compete actively for conventions and larger affairs which might be brought to our city. With our hotels and existing motels, we are in a position to house the great number of visitors who would come to Rutland if we could provide space for events and for spectator crowds which we presently are unable to handle. We owe it to our community to start planning immediately for the erection of an auditorium which will allow us to compete for many events that we have heretofore had to pass up because of lack of a required facility.

In conclusion, I wish to express my sincere appreciation to all our city officials for their loyal and efficient service during the past year and to invite their wholehearted cooperation for the present year.

Respectfully submitted,

  
Mayor.



# CITY OF RUTLAND

Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 1954

## Where The Money Came From

†(Excludes Departmental transfers and receipts from bond sales)

Taxes.....	\$1,214,331.21
Water.....	107,570.92
Schools.....	86,414.33
Airport.....	24,281.69
Tax Collector.....	20,171.57
Street, Sewer, Snow Removal, General DPW	20,189.61
General.....	22,841.38
Charity and Hospital.....	7,506.24
Recreation.....	3,322.60
City Court and Civilian Defense.....	5,238.90
Interest and Penalties.....	1,498.21
Fire and Police.....	4,032.06
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Cash Balance July 1, 1953.....	\$1,517,398.72
	19,826.43
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*Less School and Street Department Balance	\$1,537,225.15
	21,180.91
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†Due State of Vermont, Old Age Assistance.	\$1,516,044.24
	24,499.80
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Total Expenditures.....	\$1,491,544.44
Total Receipts.....	\$1,523,729.94
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Deficit.....	1,491,544.44
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	\$32,185.50

\*School Department balance, Street Department balance must be held for these accounts only.

†These included in General Report of the Treasurer.

†Special assessment of \$3.00 collected with poll tax in June, payable to State of Vermont by November 1st.

## Where The Money Went

### EXPENDITURES

†(Excludes transfers, bond expenditures, meter and flood expense)

Education.....	\$522,163.34
Street, Sewer, Snow Removal, General DPW	214,642.99
Fire.....	115,153.02
Bonds.....	100,000.00
Police.....	84,215.93
Charity and Hospital.....	69,692.10
General.....	78,450.98
Water.....	58,677.94
Pension.....	51,525.07
Salary.....	40,831.87
*Temporary Loan.....	40,000.00
Airport.....	38,971.43
Lights.....	33,242.46
Library.....	28,500.00
Recreation.....	27,856.69
Interest.....	19,357.07
Zoning and Civilian Defense.....	449.05
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	\$1,523,729.94

\*Outstanding July 1, 1953—and paid after July 1, 1953.

(Parking Meter receipts and expenditures from Flood Account appear in General Report of City Treasurer.)

†These included in General Report of the Treasurer.



**RUTLAND PUBLIC SCHOOLS**  
**FINANCIAL STATEMENT**  
 JULY 1, 1953—JUNE 30, 1954

**Receipts**

Balance, June 30, 1953.....	\$1,084.58
City Appropriation (\$1.94 on G.L. \$235,497.43)....	456,865.01
State Aid and Support.....	37,091.67
Textbooks.....	3,063.80
Tuition.....	28,599.95
Other Income (Reimbursements on Veterans courses, Shop Projects, etc.).....	16,574.33
<b>Total Receipts.....</b>	<b>\$543,279.34</b>

**Expenditures**

Insurance.....	\$5,851.71
Fuel and Light.....	29,385.31
Repairs.....	17,623.60
Salaries, Teachers and Principals.....	339,678.38
Salaries, Custodians.....	33,283.48
Salaries, Maintenance.....	14,096.25
Salaries, Others.....	27,074.00
Salaries, Veterans Classes (reimbursable).....	4,794.50
Supplies.....	14,017.06
Books.....	8,825.60
Transportation and Conference Expense.....	10,330.77
Capital Outlay.....	9,164.11
Other Expenditures.....	8,038.57
<b>Total Expenditures.....</b>	<b>\$522,163.34</b>
<b>Balance.....</b>	<b>\$21,116.00</b>

**Construction Account**

Balance, June 30, 1953, Bond Issue—Northeast School.....	\$83,295.17
Loan (in lieu of bond)—Park Street Remodeling..	65,000.00
School Construction—State Aid.....	68,542.13
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>\$216,837.30</b>
<b>Expenditures to June 30, 1954.....</b>	<b>101,282.72</b>
<b>Balance.....</b>	<b>\$115,554.58</b>

**FINANCE COMMITTEE,**

George J. Ravit, *Chairman*  
 R. M. Higgins,  
 Leonard F. Wing, Jr.

**Schools**

*To the Honorable City Council and Citizens of Rutland:*

The Board of School Commissioners and the Superintendent of Schools herewith present your School Report for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1954. The report consists of two parts—the following narrative statement about the work of the schools, and financial and statistical reports found near the end of this booklet. Taken together, they form the complete School Report.

**THE REMODELED PARK STREET SCHOOL**

The work of completely remodeling the Park Street Elementary School is now nearing completion. Local funds with strong State Aid, coupled with aggressive School Board leadership, has produced another modern elementary school for the City which will care for increasing enrollments in that section, and will eliminate the last of our school buildings having two grades in a room.

What was originally a four-room building is now being converted into an eight-room building—together with other modern facilities. There will be eight classrooms—one for each of the first six grades, and a kindergarten; and an extra classroom which can be used by the nurses, by remedial, art, and music teachers, and as a workroom for the teachers in that building. There is a large general-purpose room which will serve as an auditorium, as well as a play and activity room, and also as a room for instruction in music, art, and physical education. There are separate rooms for the kitchen and the lunchroom. Special features of the building include the acoustical treatment of all ceilings, individual room toilets in the kindergarten through grade 3, a new heating plant, an automatic sprinkler system (the only one we have), and a fireproof stair well at the rear of the building, connecting all floors. A financial account of the amounts spent through June 30, 1954, is given elsewhere in this report.

**HEALTH AND SAFETY EDUCATION AND SERVICES**

We are now nearing the completion of our classroom modernization program—the greatest single contribution to the health of our school children. This year we have done eight more rooms—now bringing the total to 52. Including the rooms to be done during the summer of 1954, all classrooms in all grade schools



as well as all classrooms in the Meldon School will be completed before the opening of school in September.

Our health services continue to include school lunches, the services of two school nurses and a dental hygienist, and the transportation of children from the kindergarten through grade 6. Complete hot lunches were served, in all schools, at a cost of approximately 25¢ each. The children paid the difference between the actual cost and the government aid. The only cost to the City was for the transportation and storage of surplus commodities and the occasional purchase of equipment. The program had the strong support of the Parent-Teacher Association units, and financial assistance from the Rotary Club. Serving parochial as well as public schools, our school nurses made 3,117 home, school, and other visits; and completed 2,218 medical inspections during the year. Appreciation is hereby extended to the Lion's Club for the help they have given many deserving children. The Community Child Care Clinic, the Vermont Association for the Blind and the Vermont Association for the Crippled also gave much needed assistance. Many of our school children were referred to the Rutland (State) Guidance Center for help. Affiliated agencies include: the Vermont Association for the Blind, the Vermont Association for the Crippled, Inc., the Vermont Tuberculosis Association, the Vermont State Department of Social Welfare, the Vermont State Mental Hygiene Clinic, the Vermont State Department of Health (Crippled Children's Division), the Rutland Visiting Nurse Association, and the Community Child Care Clinic. Our dental hygienist inspected the teeth of 2,794 parochial and public school children, finding over 27% in need of dental attention. Thirty-three of these children received dental care through the kindness of the Community Child Care Clinic.

In keeping with our belief that the safety of our school children is of the utmost importance, we have this year installed emergency lighting in the High School Gymnasium, and in the auditorium at both Meldon and the High School. We continue to be most grateful to the Chief of Police for the regular assignment of officers to several of our worst traffic intersections.

## INSTRUCTION AND RELATED SERVICES

### The Elementary Schools

Again this year all elementary teachers have worked on committees—much of it on their own time—on current educational problems. In addition, they have found time to prepare parent booklets, one for each grade, to help parents understand what most children do in each subject field.

Our audio-visual equipment has been augmented through the purchase of a projection screen, a three-speed record player,

and a filmstrip projector, all by the Northeast School P.T.A. Our Filmstrip Library, at the Central Office, now contains a total of 145 filmstrips. These can be loaned promptly to any school or room desiring them.

Instruction has been greatly facilitated through the system-wide introduction of new, teacher selected, instructional materials (chiefly textbooks) in Health, Language, and Science.

To answer the perennial question of where our pupils stand in the 3 r's, we submit the following table:

	National Median	Rutland City Median	
Grade 2	2.7	Reading	3.8
		Arithmetic	3.1
		Language	3.6
Grade 3	3.7	Reading	4.4
		Arithmetic	4.4
		Language	4.4
Grade 4	4.7	Reading	5.1
		Arithmetic	4.9
		Language	5.6
Grade 5	5.7	Reading	5.4
		Arithmetic	5.7
		Language	6.4
Grade 6	6.7	Reading	6.9
		Arithmetic	6.5
		Language	7.1

### The Meldon School

We have enjoyed again this year faculty members who are interested in, and know, their fields. Their interest extends beyond school hours.

The physical education program has been exceptionally fine this year for both boys and girls. The group leader and squad arrangement of competitive drill and sports have done a great deal to lift this subject out of single game techniques, where only a few can excel, to one of general willing participation.

The homemaking and music departments have both put on public exhibitions, and have displayed a growth and command of the two areas which were rewarding, and, in view of the two short years that pupils have in this school, were quite outstanding.

Although the reading program is showing a healthy development, there seems to be an increase in the number of individual pupils who are unable to handle the vocabulary at this level.



There will be concerted study and action to remedy this situation if possible.

The staff of this school has developed a handbook for sixth grade pupils entitled, "What About Meldon?" The material for this was obtained after a survey of the pupils at Meldon to determine what problems confronted them upon entering the school. With these facts in mind an interesting booklet grew and was well received in each sixth grade this last June.

### Special Educational Fields

Our young people continue to receive excellent instruction in Art, Crafts, and in Music. The following is of special interest this year.

Our Art program has supplied children with a chance to have creative experience, including the use of many tools and many processes; it has led children to understand how Art is used in many situations, has helped them to choose with confidence between the good and the inferior, and has made appreciation a part of their lives. The Art work has been correlated with at least seven community projects—thereby making Art much more real to the student as well as offering assistance in many worthwhile community undertakings. New this year were two series of special art classes for sixth grade students with special talent. An idea of the quality of the work done can be gained by the fact that five of the twenty paintings selected **from the entire state** at the Vermont Children's Art Show at Burlington were done by pupils in the Rutland Public Schools.

The quality of the work done by our Music Department is quite generally recognized and appreciated. Our grade school band—started last year—is now made up of 31 pupils from 6 different schools. The concerts and appearances of our mixed choir, the High School Orchestra, and the High School Band were too numerous to mention here. Likewise many appearances were made by the High School Chorus, and by solo and ensemble groups. Of very special interest this year is the fact that for the first time we have had a band as a separate unit at the Meldon School—and this young organization had an especially fine year.

### The Rutland High School

At the end of a very successful first year as our high school principal, Mr. Maynard C. Robinson has submitted a well organized and very well written report. It is unfortunate that limitations of space prevent the printing of the entire report. Offsetting the reduction of one teacher on our high school staff a year ago, we have had to add one new teacher in the Science department to care for an increased enrollment in that field.

The athletic program continues to function well. The program is now operating on a sound financial basis and the equip-

ment is being improved steadily. Opportunities for participation in intra-mural athletics were greater this year in basketball and soccer.

The non-athletic program was increased this year with the formation of a Science Club in which many underclassmen and a number of upperclassmen took a real interest. Dramatics, Music, Journalism, the Commuters' Club (to be commended for furnishing the paint for redecorating the lunchroom), the International Relations Club (sponsor of several projects for furthering good relations between our country and others), the Student Council, the Monitor Squad—all furnished opportunities for developing good citizenship and worthwhile interests in many of our boys and girls.

National recognition was achieved by Rutland High School from Freedom Foundations when the school was awarded a plaque by the Foundation for its contribution to the program, and in the Atlantic Monthly Essay Contest when four Rutland High School Seniors won awards for their essays. In the State, second place in the Edmunds Essay Contest, sponsored by the Vermont Historical Society, was won by a Rutland High School Junior.

The high regard for Rutland High School shown by colleges and universities was emphasized at graduation when scholarships were awarded to members of the graduating class by Lehigh University, the University of Pennsylvania, The University of Vermont, Princeton University, Oberlin College, and Dartmouth College. Other scholarships were awarded by Columbia University and Pembroke College, but could not be accepted. Records of Rutland High School graduates of 1953 received from the colleges and universities which they entered last September were generally good and in some cases excellent.

At the close of school in June, 59 of the graduating class of 112 planned on continuing their education in college, or in business, technical, and nurses training schools. All except two of the girls completing the secretarial program had been placed in permanent positions in local offices when school closed.

### BIG REPAIR JOBS IN 1953-54

- 1) Eight classrooms completely modernized. (One of these was the large Study Hall at the High School.)
- 2) A master valve and new showerheads installed, and the floors in the locker and shower rooms at the Field House leveled and resurfaced.
- 3) The High School Library redecorated and relighted.
- 4) A new men teachers' room built at Meldon.



- 5) New emergency lights installed for the High School Auditorium and Gymnasium, and the Meldon Auditorium.
- 6) All stair and corridor areas at the High School painted.
- 7) An emergency exit, from the Kingsley School lunchroom, constructed.
- 8) Two new electric ranges installed at the Northeast School.
- 9) New outside floodlights installed at the Northeast School.

### CONDITIONS OF THE SCHOOLS

In spite of their age, our school buildings generally are in very good repair. Annual inspections by the Building Committee, followed up by an excellent program of preventive maintenance, continue to protect the City's investment in these buildings. Over 78% of all classrooms have now been redecorated and re-lighted. Only a few classrooms, at Meldon and at the High School, remain to be done. Although our buildings cannot be made completely safe according to present-day standards, we feel that, with the exception of automatic sprinklers, these buildings are now as safe as they can be made. Although the Park Street School had been greatly improved through this program, the complete remodeling job which is now nearing completion has not only doubled the capacity of the school, but has added many of the facilities needed for a modern educational program.

### NEEDS OF THE SCHOOLS

The following are some of the more important needs of the schools:

#### All Schools

- A fireproof vault for the storage of irreplaceable and permanent school records.
- A tape recorder for the school system.
- An additional Art teacher.
- An additional Music instructor.

#### Elementary Schools

- A Helping Teacher.
- A school physician to complete physical examinations in certain grades every year, so that during their school years each child would have received at least three complete physical examinations; and to be on call for advice and treatment in emergency cases.

- Adequate indoor and outdoor facilities for physical education.
- A small auditorium for each graded school.
- Special instruction for very retarded children.
- Teachers' work and rest rooms wherever space permits.
- A fence on the east side of the Lincoln School grounds.
- A fence at the rear of the Watkins Avenue School grounds.

### Meldon School

- A **new building** including a gymnasium and other facilities of a modern educational plant. (The following are just a few of the more pressing needs as long as we must use the old building.)
- A fire escape from the east side of the Auditorium.
- More adequate outdoor facilities for physical education.
- A complete overhauling and repairing of the ventilation system.

### High School

- A full-time Director of Guidance is needed if we are to provide our students with an improved guidance program.
- Additional facilities to make possible the teaching of more trades and industrial arts.
- A second teacher of homemaking, to provide greater opportunities for more girls.
- An additional driver-training instructor, in the immediate future, if driver-training is to be provided for all students who want it.

### SCHOOL BUDGET

Our Budget has been adopted by the Board, and voted upon by the people, as provided for by our City Charter. However, according to Law, we are "presenting" our Budget, and it will be found elsewhere in this Report.

It should be noted that our return to the taxpayers of \$12,690. from increased State Aid, as promised a year ago, has resulted in a slight reduction in our school tax rate, in spite of increased costs due to an increased number of teachers needed and to increased operational costs.

The Board of School Commissioners has made every effort to keep school expenses down, consistent with maintaining and improving the educational opportunities of our young people.



In closing this report, we wish to express our sincere appreciation to all those who have worked to promote the welfare of our schools. A continuation of such cooperation is our best guarantee that we can and will meet the future needs of our young people.

Respectfully submitted,  
 NORMAN E. BARTLETT,  
*President.*  
 For the Board of School Commissioners.

HOMER B. ASHLAND,  
*Superintendent of Schools.*

Rutland, Vermont  
 August 23, 1954

## Pension Board

*To the Honorable City Council:*

Gentlemen:

The net cost of the City Pension Plan for the year July 1, 1953 to June 30, 1954 was \$51,525.07.

Total premium paid to insurance company.	\$62,693.28
Total benefits paid to pensioners. . . . .	15,152.56
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	\$77,845.84
Less amount of employees' contributions. . .	26,320.77
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Net Cost. . . . .	\$51,525.07

Since the start of the pension plan January 1, 1938, 54 employees have been retired, of which 16 are deceased.

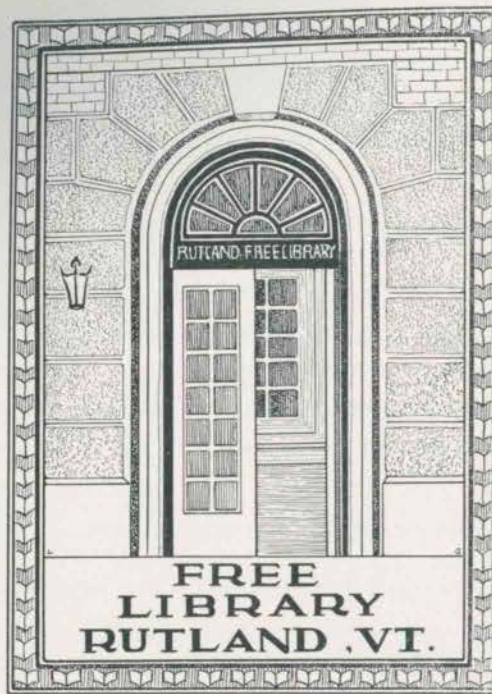
As of June 30, 1954 there are 217 contributing members.

The budget requirements for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1955 will amount to \$61,000.00.

Respectfully submitted for the Committee,

JOHN L. DINN,  
*Chairman.*





## Librarian

### THE ANNUAL REPORT OF THE LIBRARIAN OF THE RUTLAND FREE LIBRARY, RUTLAND, VERMONT 1 July 1953--30 June 1954.

*To the Honorable City Council and the Citizens of Rutland:*

Through the year 1953-1954 the Rutland Free Library made dramatic advances in meeting the recreational and educational needs of our citizens.

The Librarian, with an even heavier schedule than the year before, continued to speak to numerous groups on the services of the Library and on books. The effectiveness of the weekly book column in the *Rutland Daily Herald* in promoting good reading is dramatically pointed up in the enthusiastic comment of a patron when she returned a book, "That's one of the best books I've ever read, and if it had not been for the *Herald* book column I would not have known about it!" Through the many talks the Librarian makes, the weekly book column in the newspaper, exhibits in the Library, discussions sponsored by the Library,

lectures, forums and workshops, the Library is stimulating the citizens in our community to read more thoughtfully.

Such a dynamic program can only lead to better readership in the community. Such a program requires years in achieving the sought after goal. The object is not circulation so much as it is more thoughtful reading. The focusing of every effort in the Library on this objective has brought spectacular results far ahead of schedule. Attendance at classes, lectures, book talks and discussions jumped from 1200 in 1952-53 to over 2700 in 1953-54. Nonfiction circulation increased from just under 15,000 to almost 22,000, while fiction dropped from 47,000 to a little under 46,300. Juvenile nonfiction climbed from 6,200 to over 9,600 while fiction showed a slight drop of 200 from last year's 16,700.

How much of this increase in the reading of nonfiction is due to the Library's efforts and how much is due to the nationwide trend in reading I do not know. Throughout America there is a trend in reading toward nonfiction and away from fiction. Part of this may be due to the poor quality fiction that is being written and published today. Part of it may be due to the better nonfiction that is being written and also to the public demand for facts and information. Book publishers and magazine editors are cutting down on the space they give fiction and devoting more space to nonfiction, because of the demand.

Whatever the cause, it is obvious that our citizens are using the Library more and more in their self-education, in their efforts to be better informed citizens of a democracy, in their continual seeking to raise their standards of living and in a better use of leisure.

With the costs of labor still rising more American people are doing their home improvements themselves. The result is a great increase in the number of how-to-do-it books and in the subjects covered. Many Rutland people today are trying their hand at furniture repair, building cupboards, improving and repairing their houses, laying walks, landscaping, building their own garages, making shelves, lamps, tables, draperies and a thousand and one other well designed comforts around a house—all through the help of books they get at the Rutland Free Library. Several houses in and around Rutland got their inspiration from the books and journals here. A number of Rutland men are studying television servicing through the help of the latest publications at this library.

There is not space to cite numerous other examples of how our citizens are using the Library to learn new skills and to improve themselves in their present skills. But I do want to say a few words about another very important area in which the Library is playing a big part.

Our Library has a responsibility to the community to provide, within its means, the materials for stimulating and inculcat-



ing aesthetic appreciation. The demand for books in the field of the arts continues strong. Last winter there was a heavy demand for materials about silk screen painting. A talented young sculptor found inspiration in several of the Library's books on sculpture. Books on the crafts, such as weaving, rugmaking, jewelry making and ceramics, are very much in demand. There has been an increase of interest in handwriting development and in books on the acquisition of a good writing hand within the past year.

This past year, for the first time in the history of the Rutland Free Library, a small allotment was appropriated for the purchase of phonograph records. Thus we shall shortly make a small beginning toward giving the members of our community another service for their aesthetic enjoyment. On an experimental basis we inaugurated a rental phonograph record collection toward the end of the fiscal year. As the end of the fiscal year approached a move was afoot to form a music appreciation study group at the library.

Throughout the country there has been a great increase in the reading of religious books. Consequently, publications in this field have expanded considerably. Since early fall we have kept a display rack filled with good Catholic, Jewish, Protestant and Quaker books. They circulate so rapidly that we are continually having to replenish the collection.

Another responsibility of our Library is the promotion of a wise use of leisure time. Sometimes a wise use of leisure time might involve playing golf, another time it might mean sitting in an armchair and doing some reflective thinking. For one person it might mean engaging in deep thought over a chessboard, for another it might mean the soothing calm of a nature walk or the reading of a good novel. In whatever constructive manner in which one of our citizens desires to use his leisure our Library can help him toward greater enjoyment of it.

The Rutland Free Library provides the means of self-education for all people in our community. We have an obligation to make it difficult for people to escape the influence of books. The Library has no right to tell you what to think, but it is the duty of the Library to help you in deciding what to think about. The Librarian has a responsibility to know what subjects and issues are vital.

The classes in American citizenship and English continue under the able leadership of Miss Katherine Purcell, Miss Mary Moher and Miss Dorothy Hanford. The classes are definitely helping new Americans become citizens sooner than they otherwise would. With the help of the new phonograph record player donated by the Women's Auxiliary of the American Legion the class will be able to make use of the latest teaching methods.

Since the Library has a responsibility to stimulate thinking and discussion about socially significant questions we sponsored a Community Civil Rights Forum in December. Unfortunately a fire nearby kept many people away. Nevertheless, a small group discussion in Civil Rights, planned for the coming winter under the sponsorship of the Library, is a direct outgrowth of the Forum. The civic leaders who took part on the program did so because of a responsibility toward their community. In the midst of a busy schedule each one felt it his duty to be a working part of the Forum.

To inculcate good citizenship in the members of our community we must do something positive to overcome the prejudice against individuals and against groups. In February the Library conducted a most successful Brotherhood Workshop that brought together people of different religious backgrounds. Among the groups represented at the Workshop were all the Catholic schools and churches, the Protestant churches, the Rutland Jewish Center, the Vermont Department of Social Welfare, the Rutland School Board, the Rutland Teachers Association, Rutland High School, Meldon Junior High School, the elementary schools, the Parent Teachers Association, Catholic Daughters of America, Catholic Women's Club and the service clubs.

One civic leader attending the Workshop remarked, "This is the best thing I've seen since coming to Rutland seven years ago!"

Father John Lynch, Principal of Mount St. Joseph Academy, and Rabbi Jacob Handler worked with the Librarian throughout the year to make this Workshop successful in demonstrating unity without uniformity. To have intelligent citizenship we must overcome prejudice. I think our Brotherhood Workshop this year is a significant step in that direction. Already I am receiving requests from groups asking to be included in the next Workshop.

Under the excellent leadership of Mrs. Barbara Douglas, our new children's librarian who joined the staff in July 1953, the circulation of children's books has jumped. Mrs. Douglas is making every effort to instill in children the habit of reading good books. Several hundred children visited the Library during Book Week to see the new books for young people. A large number of parents and children heard Tasha Tudor, noted children's author and illustrator, as the climax to the Book Week celebration. Mrs. Douglas is author of an article, "Promoting Use of the Library," that appeared in an issue of *International Journal of Religious Education* and has since received national acclaim. She is chairman of Reading and Library Service in the Vermont Parents and Teachers Association. During the year she was appointed a member of the Vermont State Planning Committee of the sixth annual conference of the New England Reading



Association and is chairman of one of the group conferences to take place in September 1954.

Our very popular children's film program was made more dynamic this past year. We capitalized on the interest of children in movies and television and used that interest to lead them to reading. For each movie in the program we suggested a good book to read. Also, from time to time we borrowed the film of a successful west coast television program designed to open up to children the fascination of books. The experiment is still too new to enable us to make an impartial evaluation of the effectiveness of the new approach. Some of the programs have been sparked by the story-telling of Georgia Louras, a Rutland High School senior who has been studying the art of story telling. In one of the programs creative dancing was introduced by young dancers under the direction of Miss Glorya Stanley.

Early in the summer the Library and the *Rutland Daily Herald* sponsored a children's art exhibit at the Library. During the summer the Mid-Vermont Artists held their annual exhibit in the auditorium. Earlier the Rutland County Stamp Club held its outstanding exhibit at the Library.

Among the many repairs and improvements to the building during the year perhaps the most important is the new fluorescent lighting system on the first floor to replace the incandescent system. The new lighting follows the recommendations of the Illuminating Engineering Society that set up standards for libraries at the request of the American Library Association, and is designed to increase the foot-candles in the Library from five to between thirty and forty.

The *Rutland Daily Herald* has been most generous and co-operative throughout the year in publicizing the Library and its program. Through the year there have been several good feature stories about the Library. From time to time good photographs of some of the Library's services have appeared in the *Herald*. I want to thank the *Herald* for its cooperation and its generosity in helping the Library toward its objective of being Rutland's cultural center.

We extend our thanks to the Rutland Women's Club and to the Mary and Martha Circle of the Congregational Church for their cash gifts to the Rutland Historical Collection. We deeply appreciate a gift of \$100 toward a display table for the children's department from Mrs. Rose Wagner as a memorial to her husband, Webster Wagner. For many years to come this beautiful table will call attention to the generosity of Mrs. Wagner and the friendship between Mr. and Mrs. Wagner and our Library. A much needed and appreciated gift is a variable speed record player for the use of the citizenship classes and later, when the Library's funds permit, for presenting recorded concerts in the auditorium. For this outstanding gift we are indebted to the Women's Auxil-

iary of the American Legion. These public spirited women have also voted to buy some records of American songs and records for teaching English to the foreign born for the citizenship classes.

We are grateful to many friends of the Library for their gifts of both money and books. Mrs. Edwin W. Lawrence, and the many conscientious women working with her, deserve the highest praise for their unremitting efforts to increase the membership of the Rutland Free Library Association. We thank the Rutland Garden Club for their gift of several 5-year subscriptions to garden journals. We appreciate the gifts of several memorial books during the year.

We are especially grateful to Mayor Dan J. Healy for his interest in the Library during the year. It was through Mayor Healy's good offices that a very fine collection of books in mathematics was given to the Library. With a very heavy schedule, with many demands on his time, Mayor Healy has been generous in contributing his time and thought to the Library. In June 1953 he was the principal speaker at graduation exercises for those who had been two and three years in the Library's citizenship classes. In December he was a speaker on the panel of the Civil Rights Forum sponsored by the Library.

Again I want to thank the Garden Club for their beautiful decoration of the Library during Christmas and others for their thoughtful remembrance of the staff. I am deeply grateful to the citizens of Rutland, the City Council and the Mayor for their continued support and understanding.

It would be impossible to realize a dynamic Rutland Free Library without the cooperation and the understanding of our capable and friendly staff. I want to thank them for their loyalty and their good service. I want to extend to Mr. George Myers, our faithful and conscientious custodian, a special word of thanks for the many times he serves the Library beyond the call of duty. When there is a snowstorm on his day off he comes and works all day, if necessary, to clear the walks. He takes pride in his work and at the time the old water heater was not operating even brought hot water from home to wash the floors.

The Rutland Free Library has a liberal and conscientious board of trustees. I am deeply appreciative to them for their wise counsel, their patience, their understanding and their support.

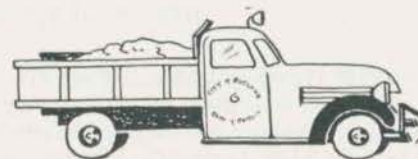
We are living at a crucial time in world history. To be intelligent citizens in a democratic society we must be well informed. We must keep abreast of the ideas of others. We cannot intelligently arrive at a conclusion until we have learned what others think through serious reading and through discussion. The survival of a democratic society is dependent upon well informed citizens who do not stop their education with the com-



pletion of high school or college. Therefore, continuing adult education is a necessity in America. In taking the lead in informal self-education the Rutland Free Library can become the "people's university." We are today at the threshold of an exciting new era in librarianship—a program of informal adult education through reading.

Respectfully submitted,

LEONARD B. ARCHER, Jr.,  
*Librarian.*



## Public Works

*To the Mayor and the Honorable City Council,  
Rutland, Vermont*

Gentlemen:

The annual report of the Department of Public Works and Water Department for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1954 is hereby submitted:

### Street Department

At the beginning of the fiscal year the Public Works Street Department was in the midst of its summer street maintenance program, the funds for which are provided by the Street Department budget. The road improvement program was also in progress at the same time. The money necessary for the road improvement work is provided by a Bond Issue approved by the voters of Rutland at the March election.

During the summer of 1953 Columbian Avenue and West Street, from Temple's Crossing to the west city line, were completely reconstructed. The work was done by a private contractor. The engineering, surveys, design, supervision and inspection of work was done by the Vermont State Highway Department and the United States Bureau of Public Roads.

The original surveys for the improvement of U. S. Route #4 along Columbian Avenue and West Street were begun in 1947. Because of several misunderstandings as to the location of the right-of-way line the State of Vermont was unable to advertise for bid a contract for reconstructing West Street. The acquisition of the right-of-way was completed in the spring of 1953. The reconstruction work itself was completed in the fall of 1953.

In addition to the work performed by the contractor and Highway Department engineers considerable work was required of the Public Works and Water Department personnel. Surveys, plans, specifications and design work were reviewed by the City Engineer. Water services were relayed, fire hydrants installed, mains extended and valve boxes reset by the Water Department. The Sewer Department reconstructed broken sewer mains, constructed two additional manholes and extended a sewer from West Street southerly toward Ripley Street. The existing sewer was thoroughly cleaned.



The newly reconstructed U. S. Route #4 along West Street is a vast improvement in the appearance of the westerly approach to the City of Rutland. Further improvement is to be made in the near future by landscaping the area between the road and railroad west of Temple's Crossing.

The City of Rutland's share in the cost of reconstructing Columbian Avenue and West Street amounted to \$41,173.

At the March election of 1954 the people of Rutland approved by a vote of 4,327 to 1,017 a proposal for the reconstruction of North and South Main Street, U. S. Route #7 and Woodstock Avenue, U. S. Route #4 in the City of Rutland. The streets named are a part of the Federal Aid Highway System.

Because of the shortage of engineers in the Vermont Highway Department it was necessary to engage a local engineering firm to do the preliminary engineering surveys. The detailed survey work began in April 1953 and was not completed until February 1954. After the survey work was completed another engineering firm was engaged to design and draw plans for the reconstruction of North and South Main Street. Considerable assistance was rendered by the force in the City Engineer's Office to the engineers designing the proposed work on Main Street. The engineering work has been sufficiently completed so that the bid on the contract will be opened July 9, 1954. The work completion date is September 1, 1955.

Woodstock Avenue, from Main Street easterly to the city line, has been completely surveyed. I am of the opinion that work will not be started on this section of road until Main Street is completed.

The sum of \$62,226.29, furnished through a bond issue approved by the voters and State Aid funds for highways, was spent on our road improvement program.

The following streets were excavated and a gravel sub-base constructed before being resurfaced with a mixed-in-place asphalt pavement:

Allen Street—from Main Street to Mussey Street; Bellevue Avenue—from North Street to Hillcrest Road; East Washington Street—from Main Street to Lafayette Street; Elm Street—from West Street to Williams Street; High Street—from Main Street to Bellevue Avenue; Park Avenue—from Grove Street to Harrison Avenue; Park Street—from South Main Street westerly to the Railroad crossing; Royce Street—from Main Street to Strongs Avenue; Spellman Terrace; Temple Street—from North Main to Bellevue Avenue. A total of 28,600 square yards of bituminous mixed-in-place pavement was constructed over an 18" to 24" sub-base.

On the following streets a bituminous hot mix pavement was placed over the disintegrated concrete roadway:

Crescent Street—from Grove Street to Church Street; Curtis Avenue—from Main Street easterly to the Railroad crossing; East Street—from Woodstock Avenue to East Washington Street; Lincoln Avenue—from Crescent Street to Grant Avenue; Pine Street—from West Street to State Street; West Street—from Pine Street to Holmes' Crossing; Williams Street—from Church Street to Lincoln Avenue. Of the above named streets Crescent Street, East Street, Lincoln Avenue and West Street were widened and the sub-base outside the pavement was reconstructed with a heavy gravel base. A total of 24,740 square yards of bituminous concrete pavement was constructed.

Additional road improvement work included constructing a sub-base and pavement on Litchfield Avenue. Pierpoint Avenue was completely reconstructed with regard to realigning the roadway, excavating and sloping adjacent banks, and constructing a suitable base. The Campbell Road was reconstructed from the intersection of the Quarterline Road southerly about fifteen hundred feet.

A total of 92,960 gallons of tar and asphalt with either a sand cover or pea stone seal was placed on city streets.

The construction of the new Municipal Parking Lot opposite the intersection of Merchants Row and Center Street, formerly Depot Park, was begun in May. This work is being done under the supervision of the City Engineer's Office and the Department of Public Works. Payment for the work done is being made from the Parking Meter account. It is expected that this new parking lot will be ready for use in October 1954.

I believe that our Public Works Department is well equipped to do the work required of it. The maximum use of equipment has considerably helped to keep down the cost of various operations within the department and thus help us to accomplish more work with the funds provided.

During the past year one 2½ yard dump truck; one tractor with front end loader; one truck with water sprinkling equipment; and one small tractor with sidewalk snow plow were replaced. A pick-up type truck and aggregate spreader were purchased. A backhoe or ditch digger was added to a tractor that had been used only for sidewalk snow plowing.

A much needed piece of equipment is a new street sweeper. Our present sweeper, upon which considerable money has been spent for repairs, was purchased in 1947. The greater number of paved streets and the demand for street cleaning services within the business district require that this operation be done by mechanical means. Street sweeping by hand labor is very costly.

A much neater appearance could be given to our city if some of the property owners and merchants would refrain from sweep-



ing debris from their property and depositing the same upon the roadway. This practice not only gives a poor appearance to the street but also obstructs catch basins, gutters and sewers.

Our equipment is stored and serviced in a garage constructed in 1948. At that time funds were not available to construct a garage of sufficient size. Since 1948 our Public Works Department has been modernized by the addition of new equipment. We are severely handicapped in our operations by not having proper storage and servicing facilities for the fine equipment owned by the City of Rutland.

In March 1953 a bond issue amounting to \$10,000 was approved by the voters for the construction of curbs and sidewalks within the City of Rutland. The funds so provided, plus a balance of \$3,955.68 remaining in the Curb and Sidewalk account of the previous year, supplied the necessary monies for the construction of sidewalks and curbs during the fiscal year 1953-1954. As of June 30, 1954 a balance of \$7,583.57 remained in the Curb and Sidewalk Fund; this amount includes money approved by the voters in March 1954 for curb and sidewalk construction during the 1954 construction season.

The curb and sidewalk program continues to operate as it has in the past. A sidewalk or curb is constructed at the request of the property owner. The property owner pays one-half the cost of the construction of the curb and sidewalk. During the past fiscal year a total of 3,173 linear feet of curb and 10,780 square feet of walk were constructed.

The sum of \$19,319.96 was spent during the winter of 1953 and 1954 for snow plowing, snow removal, salting and sanding roads and sidewalks. Of the above amount \$1,799.00 was spent for the purchase of tools and equipment.

Two hundred and fifty tons of salt and five hundred cubic yards of sand were used. Boxes containing a mixture of salt and sand were placed at various locations for use by the public to sand city streets and sidewalks.

The Street Department has been most fortunate in the past few years in being easily able to cope with our winter storm problems. Our presently owned Sno Go, a war surplus product manufactured in 1942 and purchased by the City of Rutland in 1947, has given valuable service in assisting with our snow removal work. We sincerely hope that it will continue to give good service for many more years.

The Public Works Department also provides the necessary equipment and labor for snow removal at the Rutland Municipal Airport.

## General Department

A sub-department of the Department of Public Works is the D.P.W. General Department. All work of this department is done by the employees of the Street Department and City Engineer's Office. Various items not chargeable to the Street Department, Water or Sewer Departments are paid for from funds appropriated to the D.P.W. General account.

During the past year the City Engineer's office was redecorated; old furniture replaced with modern desks and chairs; additional and new equipment was purchased and modern lighting was installed. A more pleasant and efficiently operating office now exists.

About \$2,000 was spent in maintaining Main Street Park. It is the desire of all concerned in this work that this particular area will in the future be considered as a park only and not a playground. Funds have been appropriated to other city departments for the operation and care of playground areas.

The City Dump is operated for the use of the people of Rutland at a cost of about \$6,000 a year. The "Dump" is open every day from 7:30 A.M. to 5:30 P.M. with the following exceptions: closed all day Sundays, Thanksgiving, Christmas and New Year's Day; closed at noon on all other holidays.

In the Fall of 1953, 100 maple trees were planted on city streets, this is a continuation of a program established by Mayor Healy four years ago. In the Spring of 1954 all trees within the limits of the city streets were sprayed. Many dead and dangerous trees were investigated. Removal of the tree or pruning dangerous branches was done where necessary.

Four large culverts were reconstructed. Other culverts were repaired and cleaned. The sidewalk and curb on the westerly half of the railroad overpass on River Street were completely rebuilt. Ripley Bridge was painted for the first time in several years. It is proposed to "Gunite" the abutments, center piers and curbs of this bridge during the coming year.

Street signs were repaired and erected on nearly every street intersection. A number of the signs so erected have already been damaged or destroyed and need to be replaced. The cost of replacing a four-way street sign amounts to about \$15.00 per sign.

Many other services are required of the General Department, such as repairing guardrails; placing and removing election booths at polling places at election time; removing ashes and other debris from the City Hall; operating "Clean Up Week" the first week of May; mowing grass on city-owned property and other small jobs.



### Sewers

An appropriation of \$21,315 was made for the care and maintenance of the entire sewer system of the City of Rutland for the past fiscal year. In addition to the above amount there remained in the sewer main extension account the sum of \$1,187. No additional money was made available for the construction of new sewers as is usually done through the approval of bond issues. The Sewer Department budget does not include funds for the construction of new sewers.

Most of the money made available was spent excavating and repairing broken and plugged sewers. Thirty-five major sewer repairs were made; thirty-four catch basins and eight manholes rebuilt.

During the year new catch basins, four manholes and fifty-one private sewer connections were constructed. A sewer was constructed on Belmont Avenue Extension a distance of five hundred feet.

### Water Department

An appropriation of \$55,893.24 was made to maintain the Water Department of the City of Rutland for the past fiscal year.

At no time during the year did the City of Rutland suffer from a serious shortage of water as nearby communities did.

The water shed area in Mendon was patrolled and the usual amount of debris carelessly deposited upon the banks of streams within the area was removed to the city dump. The ground so contaminated was treated with calcium hypochlorite.

Although a sincere effort was made to establish a record free of contamination reports from the Vermont Department of Public Health, we were unable to do so. It is thought that the highway construction project on Mendon Mountain was one factor contributing to our poor record. The continued wash from the disturbed ground near the new road, and the building of culverts that opened up new drainage areas increased the turbidity and degree of contamination. Having a reservoir of a very small capacity, the water, unfit for drinking purposes, is taken almost directly from the stream into our distribution system. Through the use of break-point chlorination an attempt was made to give as pure a domestic water as possible.

The reservoir was given a thorough cleaning in May. The surrounding premises were kept well trimmed and orderly throughout the year.

A very small amount of water main was constructed within the city. A six inch main was extended on Easterly Avenue a distance of 320 feet; a six inch main was laid on Edgerton Street a distance of 80 feet. Twenty-four leaks were repaired in water

mains; thirty-eight services repaired, forty-five services relayed; nine hydrants repaired; forty-four new services constructed; three hydrants and two sprinkler systems attached to our water system. The Water Department also maintained the filtration and chlorination equipment at the swimming pool and does plumbing work for the Recreation Department, City Hall and Airport water supply.

A new air compressor, paving breaker, pipe cutter and pipe drilling and tapping machine were also purchased.

For a period of more than fifty years the city fathers of Rutland had been investigating the possibilities of constructing a reservoir and finding another water supply. They placed before the people of Rutland many propositions, all of which were rejected.

In March 1953 the people of Rutland approved issuing \$397,000 worth of bonds to supply money for the construction of a new reservoir.

It was proposed that the new reservoir be constructed on the "Davis Site," so-called. This site was originally selected in 1908 by George C. Whipple, Consulting Engineer, who made the following statement concerning the reservoir location:

"The most feasible site for storage would appear to be about 1,000 feet southwest of the present reservoir. . . . Unfortunately, this naturally advantageous site for a reservoir cannot be utilized as the earth in the hills that form the sides of the reservoir is too porous to hold water."

In the year 1908 certain types of linings were not available for reservoir construction. The use of an asphalt lining, previously used in canals, irrigation ditches, sides of filtration beds, but never before used as a lining for a reservoir, was proposed for the Rutland Reservoir. The asphalt lining is relatively inexpensive as compared to other types of linings and therefore made possible the construction of a reservoir at the Davis Site that would not exceed in cost an amount equal to the funds made available.

Prior to the reservoir construction considerable work was done by the staff of the City Engineer's Office in connection with the acquisition of rights-of-way and land for the reservoir sites and connecting pipe lines. Appreciation is expressed for the assistance given by Mayor Healy and other city officials in accomplishing this work.

A firm of consulting engineers was engaged to design the proposed reservoir, materials for the pipe lines were purchased by the city, the contract was awarded and construction was begun in August 1953.

It is expected that the new reservoir will be in operation in October 1954.



The following is a statement of the receipts, expenditures and balances of the various accounts, special appropriations and bond issues of the Department of Public Works and Water Department as of June 30, 1954:

Department	Est. Receipts	Expenditures	Balances
Street	\$163,344.62	\$163,279.71	\$64.91
Sewers	24,671.33	23,582.58	1,088.75
General DPW	25,599.32	25,598.29	1.03
Water	61,172.58	58,303.49	2,869.09
Main Extensions (Sewer)	16,187.74	535.31	15,652.43
Main Extensions (Water)	1,120.00	994.10	125.90
Curb and Walk Bond	31,854.03	24,270.46	7,853.57
Permanent Road Bond	130,133.51	83,609.38	46,524.13
Winter Maintenance	22,250.48	19,319.96	2,930.52
Reservoir Bond	397,000.00	225,578.95	171,421.05

I extend my appreciation to His Honor, Mayor Healy, for continued assistance and cooperation; to the Honorable Board of Aldermen and to other city officials and members of their departments.

The members of the Public Works and Water Departments and the workers engaged on the many jobs deserve credit for the successful completion of the work done during the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

EDWARD J. CROWLEY,  
*Commissioner of Public Works.*



## Fire Protection

*To the Honorable City Council:*

Gentlemen:

I hereby submit to you the annual report of the activities of the Rutland Fire Department for the year ending June 30, 1954.

During the year the Fire Department responded to 399 fire alarms as follows: Telephone 347, box alarms 24, automatic thermostat 15, verbal 12 and radio 1. This was eight less than the previous year. The Department also responded to 75 "Special Service" calls of various nature.

The value of property endangered by fire, the amount of insurance carried and the loss paid by insurance companies as far as could be ascertained is as follows:

	Value	Insurance Carried	Insurance Paid
Buildings	\$394,400.00	\$260,400.00	\$38,756.55
Contents	111,290.00	80,650.00	19,720.85
Totals	\$505,690.00	\$341,050.00	\$58,477.40

This loss does not include the loss paid on the contents of the Supreme Market fire which occurred on September 9, 1953 as we were unable to contact the adjusters which were from out of the State.

There were several claims paid for damage by fire that the Fire Department was not called to and of which we have no complete records.

Three children lost their lives by fire during the year. Michael Lethbridge, age 6 months, died at the Rutland Hospital on December 7, 1953 from burns received when blankets in his carriage ignited from flames from a three burner oil stove used for cooking. The Fire Department was not called to this tragedy. The baby was taken to the hospital by neighbors who also extinguished the fire.

Gene Hadley, age three, and her sister, age 7, died at the hospital June 6, 1954 from burns received when their home was destroyed by fire.



### Cost of Operating the Fire Department

Appropriation.....	\$111,265.02
U. S. Civil Defense Administration—one half cost of radio equipment.....	2,279.38
Received for Out-of-Town fires.....	1,275.00
Police Department for gasoline.....	1,532.58
Wiring permits.....	146.00
Miscellaneous.....	322.50
Total.....	\$116,820.48

#### Expenses:

Salaries.....	\$96,927.41
Radio equipment.....	4,558.76
New Service truck.....	1,500.00
General expenses.....	13,699.43

Total cost.....	\$116,685.60	116,685.60
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Balance.....	\$134.88
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#### The apparatus consists of:

- 1 1927 75 ft. American Lafrance aerial ladder truck
- 1 1936 Buffalo 750 G.P.M. quadruple truck
- 1 1941 Buffalo 750 G.P.M. triple combination
- 1 1946 Buffalo 750 G.P.M. triple combination
- 1 1948 Ford 500 G.P.M. triple combination
- 1 1953 ¾ ton International pick-up truck
- 1 1943 Four wheel drive Jeep
- 1 1951 Ford sedan
- 1 Row boat and trailer

The 1927 ladder truck is in poor condition and should be replaced as soon as possible by an 85 ft. one man operated hydraulic raised ladder truck.

The inventory value of the Fire Department equipment is \$93,361.65 and an itemized account of same is on file in the office of the City Treasurer.

The efficiency of the Fire Department was greatly improved by the addition of two-way radio, which was put in service on November 1, 1953. On December 25, 1953 we had seven grass fire calls from all sections of the City in a period of two hours and without radio the response would have been very poor as all of the apparatus was out of the stations but the dispatcher was able to contact the apparatus and cover all of the fires without delay.

One new fire alarm box was added to the fire alarm system during the year.

Again I recommend that a new fire station be erected on the City owned property located at Woodstock Avenue and Deer Street, and the present Station 2 be relocated there. Also a modern drill tower for fireman training be erected at the same location.

The present Station 2 is in very poor condition and badly in need of major repairs including a new heating system.

The heating system at the City Hall station is badly in need of repairs and it should be extended to the Public Works garage attached to the fire station.

I also recommend that a full time clerk be added to the personnel of the Fire Department.

I wish to thank all members of the Fire Department and all other City Departments for their cooperation and assistance during the year.

Respectfully submitted,

ALFRED H. KOLTONSKI,  
*Chief of Fire Department.*





## Police Protection

August 18, 1954

To the Honorable City Council:

I hereby submit the annual report of the activities of the Rutland Police Department for the year July 1, 1953 to July 1, 1954.

The department investigated 3,409 complaints, making 295 arrests in which convictions run about 95%.

While the number of motor vehicle accidents investigated was less than last year, estimated damage was higher. During the year we investigated 328 accidents in which \$35.00 damage or more was incurred against 340 for the previous year. A table listing the number of cars involved, estimated damage, number of persons injured and hospitalized follows this report.

The department has been very concerned with the number of youngsters between the ages of 2 and 12 who are victims of pedestrian accidents. In the past five years, out of 83 pedestrian accidents, 53 of them were in this age group.

With the cooperation of the Traffic Safety Council of the Chamber of Commerce and William R. Suchs, Acting Superintendent of Recreation, we have put on an intensive campaign of instructions to all of these youngsters that could be reached on the City Playgrounds.

Officers from the department visited all the playgrounds and gave safety talks on such things as how and where to cross the street, operation of bicycles, playing in the road, etc. All were given letters to take home to their parents asking their cooperation. Plans have been made to have D. Anderson Hyde, a member of the Safety Council, make arrangements for a Safety Film to be shown at schools and service clubs this winter.

Our patrol cars and motorcycle were driven a total of 78,020 miles. Five hundred and sixty-two doors were found unlocked by the night officers in patrol cars and on the beat.

A six-day Police School was conducted in November with about 75 attending, including all our regular officers.

Instructors included Special Agents from the Federal Bureau of Investigation and State Police. Lectures were also given by the State's Attorney and Grand Juror.

Considerable study was given to traffic problems, investigation of accidents, note taking and report making, collection and preservation of evidence, public relations, laws of arrests, tech-

nique and mechanics of arrests, testifying in court, defensive tactics and interviews and confessions.

After lectures and question and answer periods on these subjects, practical problems were given out to be solved by the class.

Certificates of attendance were presented to the class at the conclusion of the school by Mayor Dan J. Healy.

Parking Meter Collections for the year totaled \$32,011.28, considerably above the average year of \$29,217. The meters have now taken in a total of \$202,444.99 since installed in September 1947. \$3,816 was collected in \$1.00 fines for meter violations and 2,130 first offenders were excused as voted by the City Council in June 1948.

As this is written the new Depot Park Area is nearing completion and in the very near future 190 metered spaces will be available to the public in the heart of the business section.

The financial, accident and arrest reports follow:

MOTOR VEHICLE ACCIDENTS FOR FISCAL YEAR  
JULY 1, 1953 to JUNE 30, 1954

Month	No. Cars Involved	No. of Accidents	Estimated Damages	Persons Injured	Persons Hosp't'z'd	6 A.M.-6 P.M.	6 P.M.-6 A.M.
July.....	65	36	\$3,255.00	4	3	27	9
Aug.....	55	29	5,935.00	5	1	13	16
Sept.....	53	27	4,590.00	6	0	18	9
Oct.....	60	33	2,395.00	4	0	22	11
Nov.....	32	19	3,510.00	3	0	16	3
Dec.....	43	22	3,220.00	2	2	15	7
Jan.....	62	34	5,996.00	5	0	24	10
Feb.....	51	27	6,145.00	3	6	18	9
Mar.....	57	29	8,310.00	5	0	18	11
Apr.....	36	18	5,425.00	2	2	13	5
May.....	54	31	8,665.00	3	8	19	12
June.....	42	23	3,230.00	5	1	15	8
TOTAL	610	328	\$60,676.00	47	23	218	110

### Financial Statement For Fiscal Year 1953-1954

Appropriations for Salaries and Expenses.....	\$86,709.22
Receipts for the year.....	9.18
Expended for Salaries.....	\$86,718.40
Expended for Expenses.....	10,073.21
	\$84,215.93
Balance.....	\$2,502.47



TABLE OF ARRESTS FOR ALL OFFENSES FOR JULY 1, 1953 TO JUNE 30, 1954

Offense	Jul.	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	Total
Assault and Attempt Rape	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Breaking and Entering	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	2	0	0	0	0	5
Grand Larceny, Auto.	0	0	0	0	0	1	3	0	0	0	0	1	5
Grand Larceny	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	1	0	3
Taking Auto without Consent	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Receiving Stolen Property	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Fraud	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	4
Attempted Fraud	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Driving while Intoxicated	1	2	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	6
Leaving Scene of Accident Careless and Negligent	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	1	0	2	0	1	6
Driving	1	0	6	6	2	0	4	3	0	3	6	0	31
Driving under Suspension	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	2
Driving without License	0	2	0	1	0	1	2	0	0	2	0	1	9
Speeding	0	0	2	5	3	0	0	1	2	1	1	3	18
Traffic Light Violation	0	0	3	0	1	0	1	2	1	2	0	1	11
Stop Sign Violation	0	7	5	0	4	1	1	1	1	0	0	1	21
Driving without Headlights on	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1
Driving with Defective Equipment	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
Failure to Stop for Officer	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1
Breach of Peace	1	4	2	1	2	1	0	4	1	4	1	4	25
Using Steel Knuckles	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
Lewdness	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	2	0	0	3
Intoxication	6	11	10	13	8	10	4	6	17	12	10	16	123
Vagrancy	0	2	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3
Petty Larceny	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	3
Illegal Sale of Liquor	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	2
Furnishing Liquor to Minors	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Arson, 4th Degree	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
False Fire Alarm	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Fugitive from Justice	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
A.W.O.L. (Navy)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Violation of Probation	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Delinquent Child	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1
TOTALS	9	30	30	32	24	15	21	22	26	35	23	28	295

Respectfully submitted,

J. FRED CARBINE, *Chief of Police.*

## Health Officer

July 30, 1954

To the Honorable City Council:

Gentlemen:

It is the pleasure of your Health Officer to submit, herewith, his annual report for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1953 and ending June 30, 1954.

The Health Department is composed of a three-man Board of Health, and a Health Officer.

Through this department is maintained the control of communicable diseases, inspection services for the maintaining of sanitary plumbing facilities, swimming pool and other places of public assemblage.

The following contagious diseases were reported and quarantined during this period:

Month	Polio	Mea.	C.P.	S.I.	Men.	W.C.	Mumps	I.H.	Flu	T.B.	Total
1953											
July				1		11	62				74
Aug.		1				5	52				58
Sept.	1					2	55				58
Oct.	1		2			2	121				126
Nov.	1		2			12	189				204
Dec.	1	1	3			9	154	1			169
1954											
Jan.			25			26	174				225
Feb.			38	1		9	67				117
Mar.		4	40	5		8	52		2		111
April			54	3		4	5				66
May		3	5			2	5				15
June			13	2	1		4				20
Totals	4	9	183	11	1	90	940	1	2	2	1243

Abbreviations—C.P.—Chicken Pox  
S.I.—Streptococcal Infections  
Men.—Meningitis  
W.C.—Whooping Cough  
I.H.—Infectious Hepatitis  
Flu—Influenza  
T.B.—Tuberculosis

January was the peak month of the Mumps epidemic which began in December, 1953.

The annual free inoculations to immunize children against Diphtheria-Tetanus were done in November and December. A total of 237 children received this immunization. Drs. Ryan, Jr.,



Smith and Beale of the Board of Health, ably assisted by Mrs. McCormack and Miss Burke, school nurses, did the work on all of these programs.

The annual free Small Pox vaccinations were done in May. A total of 296 children received this vaccination.

In our opinion these are worthwhile projects. This department urges all parents who have not had their children immunized by their own physician to take advantage of this opportunity of having it done.

A total of 363 samples of water from the city's taps were sent to Burlington for analysis. Twenty-one samples showed evidence of contamination. This department wishes to thank the water department for their excellent control work on the water shed and at the reservoir.

Daily samples of water were also sent from the swimming pool to Burlington for analysis. At no time was the water found unfit for swimming.

One hundred-seventeen nuisance complaints were investigated by the Department. Nineteen plumbing inspections were made.

Several unattended deaths were investigated in cooperation with Dr. William Powers, regional medical examiner.

In closing, I would like to express my appreciation for the courtesy and cooperation that I have received from the Mayor, City Council, City Employees, the State Board of Health, the School Nurses and the physicians and parents of the City of Rutland.

Respectfully submitted,  
CHARLES D. BEALE, D.O.,  
Health Officer.

*Board of Health:*

GORDON B. SMITH, M.D.,  
HARRY RYAN, Jr., M.D.,  
FRED BEAUCHAMP, Phg.

# REPORT OF THE PUBLIC HEALTH NURSING PROGRAM VERMONT DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

July 1, 1953 to July 1, 1954

The Public Health Nursing Division of the Vermont Department of Health reports the following services rendered by Miss Mary Schinoski, R.N.

425 people were served:

360 for the prevention and control of communicable diseases

65 for other types of diseases.

796 visits were made:

662 for the prevention and control of communicable diseases

134 for other types of diseases.

11 tuberculosis x-ray clinics were held at the Nurses' Home of the Rutland Hospital.

524 patients were referred by their family physicians from the Rutland area.

In cooperation with the Commission on Chronically Ill, Miss Schinoski made a survey of the nursing homes in the city:

10 Nursing Homes were visited.

140 individuals were contacted to obtain statistical data.

Respectfully submitted,

LOIS STEARNS,  
Public Health Nursing Supervisor.



## Milk Inspector

To the Honorable Board of Aldermen:

Gentlemen:

The following is your Milk Inspector's report for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1953, and ending June 30, 1954.

Four hundred and eighteen dollars (\$418.00) has been collected for Milk licenses and the money turned over to the City Treasurer, whose receipts I hold.

The pasteurization ordinance continues its effectiveness, all the plants are approved.

Some of the pasteurizing plants are having monthly samples run by Mr. R. Knowlton, formerly of the State Agricultural Department. Copies of these reports are on file in the office of the Milk Inspector and the various creameries. Also additional samples are sent from time to time by Mr. Slanetz of the State Agricultural Department or by myself. This department wishes to thank Mr. Slanetz for the excellent cooperation and help he has extended to the City Milk Inspector. This cooperation has done much to maintain the relatively high quality of milk which is offered for sale in Rutland at the present time.

Most of the dairies have been inspected at least once and all the pasteurizing plants periodically. On the whole, conditions are good.

I wish to thank the producers, plant operators and owners and State Inspectors for their cooperation during the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES D. BEALE, D.O.,  
*Milk Inspector.*

## Building Inspector

July 27, 1954.

To the Honorable City Council:

Gentlemen:

I submit the following report on building permits granted for the fiscal year July 1, 1953 to July 1, 1954.

	Units	Estimated Cost
New houses.....	53	\$826,600.00
House additions and alterations.....	10	17,200.00
Private garages.....	64	58,850.00
Porches.....	8	2,950.00
Office buildings and stores.....	2	91,200.00
Plumbing and heating shop, showroom...	1	30,000.00
Motels and additions.....	6	135,000.00
Service station.....	1	11,500.00
Warehouses.....	2	39,000.00
Store fronts.....	3	13,000.00
Restaurant.....	1	1,500.00
Business block additions.....	4	13,500.00
Institution addition.....	1	19,000.00
Stone crushing plant.....	1	2,500.00
Foundry addition.....	1	5,000.00
Breezeway.....	1	500.00
Poultry house.....	1	2,000.00
Tool sheds.....	4	950.00
Trailer.....	1	850.00
Play house.....	1	100.00
Dog kennel.....	1	100.00
Repair fire escape.....	1	.....
Move building.....	1	.....
Demolitions.....	10	.....
		<hr/> \$1,271,300.00

Respectfully submitted,

GUY E. THAYER,  
*Inspector of Buildings  
and Zoning Administrator.*



# Constable and Tax Collector

To the Honorable City Council:

Gentlemen:

I hereby submit the following report of my activities as City Constable and Tax Collector for the fiscal year 1953-1954.

Delinquent poll taxes, real estate and personal taxes collected amounted to \$20,171.57. Delinquent water rents in the amount of \$4,751.71 were also collected, making a total of \$24,923.28.

I am pleased to report that delinquent property taxes have been cleared from the City books to a large extent, and it is my intention to reduce this amount still further during the present year.

Able assistance and guidance on legal problems was extended to me during the year by City Attorney James T. Haugh.

To the Honorable Mayor Dan J. Healy, all members of the Board of Aldermen and City Officials, I wish to express my sincere appreciation for their cooperation and assistance at all times.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN J. CARBINE,  
*Constable and Tax Collector.*

## VERMONT DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL WELFARE Montpelier, Vermont

August 2nd, 1954.

Mr. Henry P. Battles,  
City Clerk  
Rutland, Vermont

Dear Mr. Battles:-

In accordance with your request of July 26th, we are enclosing herewith a list of payments which were made in your municipality for various types of assistance and welfare during the period July 1, 1953 to June 30, 1954, inclusive.

Old Age Assistance.....	\$202,428.00
Old Age Assistance Funerals.....	1,406.70
Aid to the Blind.....	4,729.00
Aid to Dependent Children.....	46,197.00
Aid to the Disabled.....	10,791.00
Committed Children.....	20,831.05
Total.....	\$286,382.75

Very sincerely yours,  
W. ARTHUR SIMPSON,  
*Commissioner.*

City Paid, same period—	
Old Age Assistance.....	\$25,107.30
Child Welfare and Mother's Aid.....	15,631.24
	\$40,738.54

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Also paid to Treasurer, Rutland County—	
County Tax.....	\$7,074.67
Vermont Extension Service.....	\$4,354.38



## Public Welfare

*To the Honorable City Council:*

Gentlemen:

I hereby submit the following report for the year ending June 30, 1954:

The appropriation to the Department of Charities and Corrections was \$33,771.00.

The Department collected \$73.23 for support of families from other towns; \$60.00 from individuals; \$4,389.12 from other sources and \$3,000.00 was transferred from Hospital account. The gross expense amounted to \$40,257.69. The net expense after refunds was \$35,735.34. A balance of \$1,035.66 remained in Charity account at the end of the year. The appropriation for the hospital account was \$30,000.00. The Department collected \$2,983.89 from individuals and the State of Vermont. The amount of \$3,000.00 was transferred from Hospital to Charity account. The gross expense amounted to \$29,434.41. The net expense after refunds was \$26,450.52. A balance of \$549.48 remained in the hospital account at the end of the year.

In the year 1953-54 at the City farm, 16 inmates were cared for and 487 transients were taken care of by the caretakers.

We have had a lot of improvements at Pleasant Acres, such as painting the buildings, a rock garden and a nice walk made of waste marble laid in cement plus a small fountain which adds considerable beauty to the place.

We have 65 tons of hay in the barn. We also have about 5 acres of corn which is enough to fill the silo, or about 50 tons.

From our garden we raised plenty of tomatoes, onions, carrots, beets, squash, cucumbers, beans, lettuce, radishes, cabbage and  $1\frac{1}{4}$  acre of potatoes. Our winter supply of coal, 40 tons, is in and we have about 300 cords of stove wood for the outside poor. The tools at the farm are in good condition. We make minor repairs on them when needed—truck, tractor, side rake, hay loader, potato digger, corn planter, milking machine and other small tools. We also have a freeze locker and two nice refrigerators, to care for meat and vegetables.

Our dairy of nice young cows is doing very well. We received for the month of May from 14 cows, 12,352 pounds of milk. We received a milk check of \$436.14 and in addition to this, from 20 to 25 quarts a day were used at the farm.

The caretakers, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Decker, take great pride in keeping the place in the best of condition. The inmates are well cared for and given good food.

It is with regret that we have lost the services of our Investigator, Mrs. Margaret Davies, who has worked for the Charity Department about twenty years. She resigned on account of her health. We wish her the best of health in the future.

I wish to thank the Mayor, Board of Aldermen and the rest of the City officials for their assistance during the year.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN C. WELLWOOD,  
*Overseer of Poor.*



## City Attorney

September 24, 1954

*To the Honorable City Council,  
Rutland, Vermont:*

Gentlemen:

I submit to you herein my report for the year July 1, 1953 to June 30, 1954.

The usual written and oral opinions have been rendered to various departments of the City government. Suits have been brought for the collection of delinquent taxes and I have appeared on behalf of the City of Rutland in the Rutland County Court, the Rutland Municipal Court and the Probate Court for the District of Rutland. During the past year the City has continued its efforts before the Civil Aeronautics Board for a permanent certificate for Boston-Rutland scheduled air service. No final adjudication has been had on the City's Petition.

The construction of the new City Reservoir in the Towns of Mendon and Rutland, the construction of the parking lot in Depot Park and the relocation and reconstruction of Route #7 required the acquisition of several parcels of land and the obtaining of numerous easements on the part of your City Attorney.

To Mayor Dan J. Healy, the Members of the Board of Aldermen, The Board of School Commissioners and the Heads and Members of the various City Departments my sincere appreciation for your fine co-operation and assistance during the past year in the performance of my duties.

Very truly yours,

JAMES T. HAUGH,  
*City Attorney.*

## Meat Inspector

July 1, 1954

*To the Honorable City Council:*

Gentlemen:

All meat has been inspected in accordance with the city ordinance and all doubtful animals rejected. Five hundred and ten dollars (\$510.00) has been collected and paid to the city Treasurer.

The McKenzie Packing Company again had the concession to furnish hamburg at the Rutland Fair.

Respectfully submitted,

NORMAN H. COX, D.V.M.,  
*Meat Inspector.*



# City Clerk

To the Honorable City Council:

Gentlemen:

The records of births, marriages and deaths for 1953 was as follows:

Total number of births registered in 1953	746
Total number of deaths registered in 1953	293
Total number of marriages registered in 1953	168

(See following page for vital statistics comparison.) Due to the fact that vital statistics records are reported to the State for calendar years, we are unable to report for the fiscal year covered by this report.)

A total of \$15,604.45 was collected in fees and licenses and turned over to the City Treasurer (See City Treasurer's financial report.)

Under Act 186 of the Vermont Statutes, we continue to furnish service men any records or copies thereof in connection with their service claims for themselves or dependents, without charge.

In addition to the numerous duties assigned to Town and City Clerks under the Laws of the State of Vermont, this office serves as Clerk of the Board of Assessors and as Purchasing Agent for all city departments including the department of Education.

I wish to express my appreciation for the loyalty and faithfulness shown by the employees of this office in the performance of their duties and to also express my thanks to His Honor Mayor Healy, members of the Board of Aldermen and all city officials and employees for the cooperation received.

Respectfully submitted,

HENRY P. BATTLES,  
City Clerk and  
Purchasing Agent.

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### Births Registered in Rutland—Years 1935 to 1953, Incl.

Year	Total No. Registered	Residents other than Rutland	Rutland Residents only
1935.....	405	129	276
1936.....	453	156	297
1937.....	432	172	260
1938.....	475	200	275
1939.....	474	173	301
1940.....	475	195	280
1941.....	555	263	292
1942.....	591	274	317
1943.....	611	318	293
1944.....	627	309	318
1945.....	621	298	323
1946.....	754	385	369
1947.....	833	427	406
1948.....	792	399	383
1949.....	723	363	360
1950.....	691	345	346
1951.....	736	346	390
1952.....	748	365	383
1953.....	746	372	374

### Marriages Registered

1943	1944	1945	1946	1947	1948	1949	1950	1951	1952	1953
111	123	155	233	192	180	149	143	140	135	168

### Deaths Registered

	1948	1949	1950	1951	1952	1953
Heart Disease.....	78	107	90	104	124	102
Cerebral Hemorrhage	34	42	38	29	38	29
Cancer.....	27	50	43	40	37	47
Pneumonia.....	20	9	16	17	10	7
Nephritis.....	3	5	18	12	3	7
Accidents.....	10	12	6	6	14	12
Suicide.....	1	3	1	5	6	1
Homicide.....	3	0	0	0	0	0
Tuberculosis.....	3	2	2	3	0	1
Infectious diseases excepting Pneumonia, etc.....	3	2	3	4	14	3
From other causes.....	117	63	68	79	55	84
Total number of deaths.....	299	295	285	299	301	293
Non-Residents.....	106	97	105	102	111	112
Rutland Residents only.....	193	198	180	197	190	181
Stillbirths.....	17	12	20	17	17	9

H. P. BATTLES, City Clerk.



# Recreation

To the Honorable City Council,  
Rutland, Vermont:

Gentlemen:

The Recreation budget for the past year was \$24,619.53, and receipts totaled \$3,322.60.

Receipts: Swimming Pool.....	\$2,381.30
Entry Fees.....	451.93
Tennis Courts.....	15.20
Ski Tow.....	39.00
Adult Fees.....	378.55
*Miscellaneous.....	56.62
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	\$3,322.60

\*Miscellaneous candy machine and Coca Cola Machine returns,  
Girls Modeling Show.

## Capital Improvements

The Field House at Meadow Street Playground was completed in November. Soon after, the Field House was used as a warming house for the new skating rink established at Meadow Street.

A new diving board and 50 new baskets were purchased for use at the Municipal Pool. With the purchase of these baskets, all the old baskets have been replaced.

Plans were underway to have two of the Tennis Courts recovered at Rotary Field.

## Activities

Halloween, this year, was the biggest and best ever. Over 14,000 persons participated in the various programs which included: Mr. Jack-O-Lantern Contest, Window Guessing Contests, Grammar School Parties, Junior and Senior High School Dances and a Ragamuffin Parade.

A great variety of activities were available at the Recreation Center under the direction of William Suchs. Activities were available for all age groups. Many new clubs were formed. They included Teen Age Golf, Men's Golf, Textile Painting, Girls' Modeling Club, Boys' Athletic Clubs, Camera Club, Sewing Club, Leathercraft, Spring Baseball Training, and Junior Stamp Club. In addition to these new clubs, the following were con-

tinued from last year: Senior Citizens' Club, Model Airplane, Women's Golf, Baton Twirling, Children's Square Dancing, Adults' Square Dancing and Oil Painting. With the addition of a backboard at Rotary Field House, Archery for adults and teenagers was started, Children's and Adults' classes in Dog Obedience, Cub and Boy Scouts, Brownies and Girl Scouts, City Band, and Home Demonstration Groups were also held at Rotary Field House. In addition to these weekly activities, four special activities were held: Model Airplane Exhibit, Model Train Races, Modeling and Variety Show and Center Closing Ceremonies.

A twelve team Midget Basketball League, and a six team Junior League were in operation this past season.

Because of the lack of snow we had a short skiing season. Only seven days of skiing were available this year with 663 visits. The Junior Ski Program continued to grow during the past year with over 125 children receiving ski instruction from Anne and Joe Jones, Mrs. S. Fletcher, Walter Stred, Larry Rollins, and George Grant, who volunteered their services.

With the new Meadow Street Skating Rink in operation more skating facilities were available. Rotary Rink was enlarged, and had 34 days of skating available with 6,145 visits. Meadow Street Rink had 26 days of operation with 3,667 visits.

## Spring and Summer

A record was set at the Municipal Pool, for opening day attendance, this year and the pool continued to be a popular place to go. Maxwell Moczulewski was again pool manager, John Mullen, Joanna Taft, and Mary Roberts were instructors and Mary Lou Reedy, Steve Copps and Joan Looker served as guards. A Water Carnival is planned for this year.

A new Playground has been added during the past year at Northeast School. This brings the playground total to nine. In addition to the daily program of games, arts and crafts, and story telling, many special events were scheduled. They included a Costume Parade, Pet Show, Dog and Cat Shows, On Wheels Parade, Watermelon Eating Contest, Pigtail Contest, Button Contest, A Field Day and Picnic Suppers. We were fortunate to have a predominately veteran staff of supervisors, and combined with our new ones, it made for good supervision and programing on the playgrounds.

Our Midget Baseball League is an important part of our summer program. Leo Keefe continued as supervisor of the League. Two new teams have been added over the previous year



bringing a total of twelve teams. Over 150 boys are fully outfitted in uniforms donated by various sponsors.

A "Mitey Mite" Baseball League has been started for boys who do not qualify for the Midget League. Four teams make up this League.

Two Softball Leagues functioned this year. Both the "Fat and Thirty" and Rutland Softball Leagues had six teams participating. A Playground Softball League was also formed with six teams.

To the Honorable Mayor Dan J. Healy, Members of the Board of Aldermen, and all City Officials, I would like to express our appreciation for their cooperation and assistance in carrying out our programs.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM R. SUCHS,  
*Acting Superintendent of Recreation.*

## Airport Commission

*To the Honorable City Council:*

During the past year the installation of the new and improved navigational facilities at the airport was completed, as was the complete resurfacing and lighting of the north-south runway. Expenditures for such improvements totalled \$29,083.29.

A substantial part of this total was provided by the Federal Government and the State of Vermont through the airport improvement programs of the Federal Civil Aeronautics Administration and the Vermont State Department of Aeronautics. The City's appropriations for the benefit of the airport for the year amounted to \$15,220.49.

On October 1, 1953, Northeast Airlines, Inc., commenced service to Rutland linking our city over their routes with Boston, Montreal and New York. This service was initiated October 1, 1953, pursuant to a temporary certificate granted by the Federal Civil Aeronautics Board for one year from July 3, 1953. In June, 1954, Northeast Airlines notified the City and CAB that they proposed to terminate service on July 3, 1954. However, the City government, aided by this Commission, initiated proceedings to prevent this, and experimental service was extended by CAB order to October 1, 1954. A petition by the City to CAB to have the temporary certificate made permanent and thus have Northeast service continued after October 1, 1954, is now pending.

Colonial Airlines provides daily service between Rutland and New York and has done so for some time.

Our airport represents a total investment of well over a million dollars of funds provided over a period of years by the Federal, State of Vermont, and City of Rutland taxpayers. In this modern age it is a municipal asset of great value and importance. This is more true than ever now that our city no longer has any railroad passenger train service.

More improvements need to be made to our airport to preserve and improve its usefulness to the City. The north-west runway should be lengthened to provide landing accommodations for aircraft larger than the DC-3's now used for service here by both Northeast and Colonial. We must be prepared to receive aircraft of the DC-4 and Convair types if we expect to continue to receive commercial airline service.

Our east-west runway needs complete resurfacing to preserve its usefulness for smaller craft. Our hangar and station facilities need improvement for appearance and modernization.

For the fiscal year 1954-5 our appropriation is \$16,818.

Following is the financial report for the year ended June 30, 1954:



## Receipts

City's appropriations for the year.....	\$15,220.49
Receipts from State and Federal Govt....	20,051.62
Other receipts.....	4,230.07
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	\$39,502.18

## Expenditures

Beacons and other capital airport improve- ments.....	\$29,083.29
Regular operating expense.....	9,888.14
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	\$38,971.43

Returned balance of \$530.75 to the General Fund.

Respectfully submitted,

PETER VAL PREDA, *Chairman*  
WILLIAM I. GINSBURG,  
ALBERT A. CREE,  
*Airport Commission.*

## Cemetery Report

*To the Honorable City Council and Citizens of Rutland:*

It is with considerable satisfaction that your Cemetery Commission is able to make the following report.

Since the completion of the enclosure in 1951 of the North Main Street Cemetery, expenditure has been largely confined to West Street. A stock fencing on a cedar post and rail foundation has been built across the entire back and along the east side to meet the existing fence. A marble retaining wall about three by twenty feet has been built where erosion had left the steel fence some two feet above ground level. Both plots have been completely brushed, raked and mowed and West Street has, for the first time, this year been completely mowed with the power mower.

Mr. Orfeo Mutti of Proctor, repaired and cleaned, by sand blasting, twenty-one stones including that of Governor Israel Smith, the oldest stone at West Street. He also located and cleaned the "Green" vault tablet which has been buried under dirt and fallen stone for over 30 years. This vault marker contained the names of 14 members of the Green family comprising three generations.

A post supporting the front gate was found to be rusted off and has been temporarily repaired.

The iron fence will need painting next year and its is expected that another twenty or more stones will be repaired and cleaned.

One more mowing is planned this fall if weather permits, and when all outstanding bills are paid, a balance of nearly \$100 will remain with which to start work in the spring.

Due to the late spring, about \$180 of the 1953-54 appropriation reverted to the General Fund.

Respectfully submitted,

WALTER G. CHAPMAN,  
FREDERICK A. FIELD,  
BETH R. SMITH,  
*Commissioners.*



# City Treasurer

To the Honorable City Council:

Gentlemen:

I herewith present to you my report as City Treasurer for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1954.

## CASH RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS

	Receipts	Disbursements
<b>TAXES</b>		
Received by Treasurer		
1954 Levy—Polls.....	\$61,418.40	
1954 Levy—Property.....	1,152,912.81	
	\$1,214,331.21	
Received from Constable		
1954 Levy.....	\$3,562.39	
Previous to 1954.....	16,609.18	
	20,171.57	
<b>AIRPORT</b>		
Appropriation <b>\$15,220.49</b>		
Receipts and Transfers.....	24,281.69	
Paid City Warrants.....		\$38,971.43
<b>CHARITY AND CORRECTIONS</b>		
Appropriation <b>\$33,771.00</b>		
Receipts and Transfers.....	7,522.35	
Paid City Warrants.....		40,257.69
<b>CITY COURT</b>		
Receipts.....	5,232.20	
<b>CIVILIAN DEFENSE</b>		
Appropriation <b>\$500.00</b>		
Receipts.....	6.70	
Paid City Warrants.....		105.61
<b>FIRE</b>		
Appropriation <b>\$111,265.02</b>		
Receipts and Transfers.....	5,555.46	
Paid City Warrants.....		116,685.60
<b>GENERAL</b>		
Appropriation <b>\$180,044.87</b>		
Cash Balance July 1, 1953.....	19,826.43	
On deposit for Old Age Assistance Tax.....	25,002.00	
Fees:		
Clerk.....	\$6,749.70	
Meat Inspector.....	510.50	
	7,260.20	
Licenses:		
Beverages.....	\$3,972.00	
Bicycle.....	454.50	
Dog.....	2,431.75	
General.....	2,451.00	
Milk.....	418.00	
	9,727.25	
Poll Taxes Unlisted 1953.....	315.90	
Premiums on Bonds Sold.....	587.34	
Refunds.....	82.78	
Rent City Hall.....	200.00	
Transfers:		
Reservoir Bond.....	\$4,721.50	
Water.....	48,885.92	
	53,607.42	
Miscellaneous.....	873.01	
Advertising.....		1,388.10
Assessors' Expense.....		1,360.60
Bicycle Patrol.....		275.49

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<b>Bonds:</b>		
Airport.....	\$5,000.00	
Airport Construction.....	6,000.00	
High School Addition.....	3,000.00	
Public Works Garage.....	3,000.00	
Street Improvement.....	34,000.00	
Moon Brook Sewer.....	3,000.00	
Funding and Relief.....	6,000.00	
Main Area Sewer.....	4,000.00	
Mussey Brook Sewer.....	2,000.00	
Sidewalk.....	1,000.00	
Flood Damage.....	20,000.00	
Main Extension.....	9,000.00	
Sidewalk and Curbing.....	4,000.00	
		100,000.00
Building Maintenance and Repairs.....		3,140.76
Library Lights.....		1,581.16
Cemetery Maintenance.....		539.75
Certifying Notes and Bonds.....		1,532.27
Child Welfare and Mothers' Aid.....		15,631.24
Elections.....		2,237.86
Fuel.....		1,899.48
<b>Insurance:</b>		
Burglary.....	\$39.15	
Compensation.....	5,466.08	
Fire.....	2,870.22	
		8,375.45
Office Equipment, Printing and Supplies		4,732.17
<b>Organizations:</b>		
Rutland Hospital.....	11,774.87	
Rutland City Band.....	2,000.00	
Veterans' Memorial Fund.....	2,500.00	
Chamber of Commerce.....	700.00	
M.S.J. Basketball Team.....	250.00	
Rutland Bulldogs.....	200.00	
Sons of Union Veterans.....	9.00	
		17,433.87
Postage, Express and Freight.....		1,437.75
Premium on Bonds of City Officials.....		533.50
Printing Annual Report.....		1,355.00
Refunds.....		8.50
<b>Special Appropriations:</b>		
Constable.....	\$200.00	
Grand Juror.....	50.00	
Scholarships.....	160.00	
Philip Angell Attorney.....	733.66	
		1,143.66
<b>Taxes and Assessments:</b>		
County.....	\$7,074.67	
Vermont Extension Service.....	4,354.38	
Vermont Old Age Assistance Tax.....	25,107.30	
		36,536.35
Telephone.....		834.38
Vaccinations and Immunizations.....		316.87
Vital Statistics.....		1,304.85
Miscellaneous.....		780.52
<b>GENERAL D.P.W.</b>		
Appropriation <b>\$25,500.00</b>		
Receipts.....	99.32	
Paid City Warrants.....		25,598.29
<b>HOSPITAL</b>		
Appropriation <b>\$30,000.00</b>		
Receipts.....	2,983.89	
Paid City Warrants.....		32,434.41
<b>HOSPITALIZATION FUND</b>		
Balance in Fund July 1, 1953.....	1,535.55	
Employees' Contributions.....	13,740.10	
Paid City Warrants.....		13,376.15
<b>INTEREST</b>		
Appropriation <b>\$20,500.00</b>		
Paid City Warrants.....		19,357.07



<b>LIBRARY</b>			
Appropriation \$28,500.00			
Paid City Warrants		28,500.00	
<b>LIGHTS</b>			
Appropriation \$33,242.46			
Paid City Warrants		33,242.46	
<b>PARKING METER FUND</b>			
Cash Balance July 1, 1953	12,344.17		
Borrowed from City Banks	150,000.00		
Receipts	32,147.27		
Paid City Warrants		173,805.05	
<b>PENALTIES, PROPERTY TAXES</b>			
	1,498.21		
<b>PENSION FUND</b>			
Appropriation \$59,000.00			
Contributions from Previous Year	1,725.02		
Employees' Contributions	24,595.75		
Contributions Paid in Advance	2,159.12		
Premium Paid Insurance Company		62,693.28	
Benefits Paid Pensioners		15,152.56	
<b>POLICE</b>			
Appropriation \$86,709.22			
Receipts		9.18	
Paid City Warrants		84,215.93	
<b>RECREATION</b>			
Appropriation \$24,619.53			
Receipts	3,322.60		
Paid City Warrants		27,856.69	
<b>REFORESTATION</b>			
Cash Balance July 1, 1953	3,934.92		
Receipts	17.04		
<b>SALARIES</b>			
Appropriation \$42,000.00			
Paid City Warrants		40,831.87	
<b>SCHOOLS</b>			
Appropriation \$456,865.01			
Cash Balance July 1, 1953	1,084.58		
Receipts	85,329.75		
Paid City Warrants		522,163.34	
<b>SEWER</b>			
Appropriation \$21,315.00			
Receipts and Transfers	3,356.33		
Paid City Warrants		23,582.58	
<b>SNOW REMOVAL</b>			
Appropriation \$22,200.00			
Receipts	50.48		
Paid City Warrants		19,319.96	
<b>STREETS</b>			
Appropriation \$129,523.59			
Cash Balance July 1, 1953	1,287.52		
Receipts and Transfers	32,533.51		
Paid City Warrants		163,279.71	
<b>TEMPORARY LOAN 1953</b>			
		40,000.00	
<b>VERMONT WITHHOLDING TAX</b>			
Withheld from Wages	10,279.05		
Paid State of Vermont		10,279.05	
<b>WATER MAINTENANCE AND MAINS</b>			
Appropriation \$57,313.24			
Schedule Rates	61,686.41		
Meter Rates	41,547.76		
New Service Labor and Materials	4,979.34		
Paid City Warrants		59,320.53	
Transferred to General Account		48,885.92	

<b>FEDERAL WITHHOLDING TAX</b>			
Withheld from Wages	83,458.45		
Paid Federal Government		83,458.45	
<b>ZONING</b>			
Appropriation \$380.00			
Paid City Warrants		343.44	
<b>TEMPORARY LOAN CURRENT</b>			
	35,000.00		
<b>FLOOD ACCOUNT</b>			
Cash Balance July 1, 1953	2,414.76		
Paid City Warrants		2,244.84	
<b>MAIN EXTENSION ACCOUNT</b>			
Cash Balance July 1, 1953	1,187.74		
Borrowed in Anticipation of Bond Issue	15,000.00		
Paid City Warrants		535.31	
<b>RESERVOIR BOND</b>			
Received from Sale of Bonds	397,000.00		
Paid City Warrants		225,578.95	
<b>SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION ACCOUNT</b>			
Cash Balance July 1, 1953	83,295.17		
Received from State of Vermont	68,542.13		
Borrowed in Anticipation of Bond Issue	65,000.00		
Paid City Warrants		101,282.72	
<b>SIDEWALK AND CURBING ACCOUNT</b>			
Cash Balance July 1, 1953	3,955.68		
Received from Sale of Bonds	10,000.00		
Borrowed in Anticipation of Bond Issue	10,000.00		
Receipts	7,898.35		
Paid City Warrants		24,270.46	
<b>STREET CONSTRUCTION ACCOUNT</b>			
Cash Balance July 1, 1953	100.98		
Received from Sale of Bonds	65,000.00		
Borrowed in Anticipation of Bond Issue	50,000.00		
Receipts	15,032.53		
Paid City Warrants		83,609.38	
<b>WEST STREET BOND</b>			
Received from Sale of Bonds	30,000.00		
Paid City Warrants		30,000.00	
<b>BOOK TOTALS</b>			
	\$2,829,716.17	\$2,395,618.31	
<b>CASH BALANCE JUNE 30, 1954</b>			
General	\$2,814.50		
Parking Meter Fund	20,686.39		
School	21,116.00		
Street	64.91		
Pension Fund	2,159.12		
Hospitalization Fund	1,899.50		
Old Age Assistance	24,499.80		
Reforestation	3,951.96		
Street Construction	46,524.13		
Main Extension	15,652.43		
Flood	169.92		
Sidewalk and Curbing	7,583.57		
Reservoir Bond	171,421.05		
School Construction	115,554.58		
		434,097.86	
<b>TEMPORARY LOANS OUTSTANDING JUNE 30, 1954</b>			
	\$2,829,716.17	\$2,829,716.17	
<b>GENERAL CASH JUNE 30, 1954</b>			
		35,000.00	
		2,814.50	
<b>DEFICIT FOR THE YEAR</b>			
		\$32,185.50	



## TAX COMPARISON

	1953-1954	1952-1953	1951-1952	1951	1950
Current Year's Assessment.....	\$1,240,033.77	\$1,199,953.17	\$1,089,346.76	\$595,266.77	\$981,498.01
Taxes Collected By Treasurer.....	1,214,331.21	1,176,621.85	1,067,383.76	576,968.58	959,213.19
Percent Delinquent.....	2.072	1.94	2.016	3.06	2.27
Percent Collected—Poll.....	83.	83.6	85.	87.2	86.8
Percent Collected—Property.....	98.8	99.02	98.9	97.7	98.5
Taxes Collected By Constable.....	3,562.39	2,836.14	1,698.26	1,414.38	18,084.80
Total Delinquent at End of Year.....	23,610.30	21,845.34	21,533.93	19,348.77	44,257.66
Tax Rate.....	5.15	5.10	4.70	2.55	4.45
Grand List.....	235,497.43	229,837.73	225,877.23	224,305.71	215,169.20

## TAX LEVY

Poll Taxes July 1, 1953—June 30, 1954

Received by Treasurer.....	\$61,418.40
Balance due from Constable 9,074 Polls at \$8.15.....	13,319.08
5% Added to Delinquents.....	\$73,953.10
Warrants.....	630.58
	153.80

\$74,737.48

\$74,737.48

Property Taxes July 1, 1953—June 30, 1954

Received by Treasurer.....	\$1,152,912.81
Received from Constable.....	3,562.39
Balance due from Constable Grand List \$226,423.43 at \$5.15.....	10,291.22
5% Added to Delinquents.....	1,166,082.68
Warrants.....	658.64
	25.10

\$1,166,766.42

\$1,166,766.42

## DELINQUENT TAXES

Year	Out-standing July 1, '53	Fines and Additions	Fines Assessed and Abated	Abate-ments	Received from Constable	Out-standing June 30, '54
1943.....	\$2,144.56			\$2,144.56		
1944.....	1,817.13	\$3.80	\$66.60	187.18	88.86	\$1,691.49
1945.....	2,036.45	6.40	39.60	126.48	18.12	1,937.85
1946.....	2,919.06	14.00	84.10	298.70	49.70	2,668.76
1947.....	1,653.37	17.88	18.00	71.28	76.62	1,541.35
1948.....	1,639.49	7.20	13.23	53.32	34.33	1,572.27
1949.....	2,407.06	26.86	22.44	107.14	161.09	2,187.23
1950.....	4,427.42	51.80	20.86	128.02	342.98	4,029.08
1951.....	2,735.92	59.71	10.74	162.15	467.79	2,176.43
1951-1952.....	6,539.24	158.26	22.26	324.05	2,206.64	4,189.07
1952-1953.....	21,845.34	211.91	13.62	699.47	13,242.15	8,129.25
1953-1954.....	\$50,165.04	\$557.82	\$311.45	\$4,302.35	\$16,609.18	\$30,122.78
	27,172.69				3,562.39	23,610.30
Total.....	\$77,337.73	\$557.82	\$311.45	\$4,302.35	\$20,171.57	\$53,733.08

COMPARATIVE BALANCE SHEET  
As of June 30, 1953 and June 30, 1954

## CURRENT ACCOUNTS

	1953	Decrease	Increase	1954
<b>Assets</b>				
Cash.....	\$19,826.43	\$17,011.93		\$2,814.50
Delinquent Taxes.....	\$50,165.04		\$2,568.04	\$52,733.08
Accounts Receivable (School).....	4,501.16	3,895.73		605.43
Accounts Receivable (Current).....	11,072.76		1,470.26	12,543.02
Accounts Receivable (Doubtful).....	546.63		5.49	552.12
Less Reserve for Doubtful Taxes and Accounts.....	\$66,285.59		\$148.06	\$66,433.65
	20,000.00			20,000.00
	\$46,285.59		\$148.06	\$46,433.65
	\$66,112.02	\$16,863.87		\$49,248.15
<b>Liabilities</b>				
Temporary Loans.....	\$40,000.00	\$5,000.00		\$35,000.00
Accounts Payable.....	1,966.42		\$4,618.25	6,584.67
Bond Interest Accrued.....	3,430.42		5,446.33	8,876.75
	\$45,396.84		\$5,064.58	\$50,461.42
Surplus or (Deficit).....	20,715.18	21,928.45		(1,213.27)
	\$66,112.02			\$49,248.15

## FIXED AND NON-CURRENT ACCOUNTS

	1953	Decrease	Increase	1954
<b>Assets</b>				
Real Estate, Buildings and Improve-ments as compiled from 1951 Quadrennial Appraisal (No Streets or Sewers).....	\$1,776,640.00		\$200,000.00	\$1,976,640.00
Airport and Beacons*.....	101,098.59		5,721.39	106,819.98
Inventories, Equipment and Supplies as submitted by Department heads.....	517,751.90		25,978.77	543,730.67
	\$2,395,490.49		\$231,700.16	\$2,627,190.65
<b>Liabilities</b>				
Bonds Outstanding.....	\$819,000.00		\$402,000.00	\$1,221,000.00
Borrowed in anticipation of Bond Issue.....			140,000.00	140,000.00
	\$819,000.00		\$542,000.00	\$1,361,000.00
Surplus.....	1,576,490.49	310,299.84		1,266,190.65
<b>Totals</b>				
Assets.....	\$2,461,602.51		\$214,836.29	\$2,676,438.80
Liabilities.....	864,396.84		547,064.58	1,411,461.42
Surplus.....	\$1,597,205.67	\$332,228.29		\$1,264,977.38

\*Federal Government Expenditures—\$767,907.45

\*State of Vermont

9,953.73

Respectfully submitted,  
W. J. SIMONDS,  
City Treasurer.



# Auditors

To the Honorable City Council:

City of Rutland, Vermont

Your auditors have made an examination of the accounts and financial records of the Treasurer of the City of Rutland, Vermont from July 1, 1953-June 30, 1954, inclusive.

In connection with our examination, we have examined the records of the School Department, Department of Public Works, City Clerk, City Constable, Overseer of Poor, Police and Fire Departments, Recreation Department, Municipal Airport, and the Municipal Court, and traced all cash receipts as shown by the department records to the City Treasurer's records.

The tax collections by the City Constable were verified by comparison of the duplicate receipts issued by him with the amounts received from him by the City Treasurer. All abatements shown on the delinquent tax schedule were properly authorized by the Board of Aldermen.

Cash disbursements and the distribution thereof, were verified by a complete check of the city warrants, and by comparison of the totals shown by various department records and on the Purchasing Agent's Warrant Book.

Payment of principal and interest on the bonded debt were verified by examination of cancelled bonds and cancelled interest coupons.

Cash balances at June 30, 1954 were verified by reconciliation of the balances shown in the report with those shown on bank statements as of above date.

Temporary loans outstanding, \$35,000.00, were verified by examination of the temporary loan register.

The bonds outstanding, \$1,221,000.00, were verified by examination of the records maintained in the City Treasurer's office and from examination of the bond books which contain all cancelled bonds and interest coupons.

The books of the City Treasurer are in their usual excellent condition and clearly show the City's financial condition as of June 30, 1954, and the result of operation for the fiscal year ended, and we hereby certify that in our opinion, all monies received have been duly accounted for as evidenced by the books and records on file.

The able assistance given us in this audit by Roy D. Watkins, appointed Assistant Auditor by your Honorable Board, was very helpful.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN E. DONAHUE,  
FRANCIS J. CASAVAW,  
W. HOWARD SHERMAN,  
*Auditors.*

# Department of Education

RUTLAND PUBLIC SCHOOLS  
PER PUPIL COSTS AND ENROLLMENT  
FOR THE SCHOOL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 1954

<b>Total Current Expenses</b> , all schools, less capital outlay, book and shop rebates, Veterans evening classes.....	\$503,273.19
High School.....	\$171,668.27
Meldon School.....	69,807.52
Elementary Schools.....	261,797.40

**Average cost per pupil**, not including capital outlay, book and shop rebates, Veterans evening classes:

	On basis of January Enrollment	On basis of Average Daily Attendance
All Schools.....	\$233.75	\$273.52
High School.....	297.52	331.98
Meldon School.....	266.44	291.79
Elementary Schools.....	199.24	241.59
	<b>Total</b>	<b>January</b>
	<b>Number</b>	<b>Enroll-</b>
	<b>Enrolled</b>	<b>ment</b>
High School.....	577	551
Meldon School.....	262	253
Elementary Schools.....	1,314	1,170
All Schools.....	2,153	1,974
		<b>Average</b>
		<b>Daily</b>
		<b>Attendance</b>
		517,098
		239,235
		1,083,642
		1,839,975

## SCHOOL BUDGET JULY 1, 1954 to JUNE 30, 1955 ESTIMATED EXPENDITURES

General Control.....	\$17,224.00
Instructional Service.....	385,734.00
Operation of Plant.....	73,071.00
Maintenance of Plant.....	32,007.00
Fixed Charges.....	6,251.00
Auxiliary Agencies.....	33,447.00
<b>Total Estimated Current Expense.....</b>	<b>\$547,734.00</b>
Capital Outlay.....	8,254.00
<b>Total Regular Budget.....</b>	<b>\$555,988.00</b>
For Contingencies (approximately 1%).....	5,559.00
<b>Grand Total.....</b>	<b>\$561,547.00</b>

## ANTICIPATED RECEIPTS

*Balance, July 1, 1954.....	\$21,116.00
City Appropriation.....	465,838.23
State Support.....	30,153.99
Other State Aid.....	7,088.50
Tuition.....	29,507.00
Other Income.....	7,843.28
<b>Total Anticipated Receipts.....</b>	<b>\$561,547.00</b>

\*Corrected to date.

## SPECIAL SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION ACCOUNTS JULY 1, 1953-JUNE 30, 1954

Bond Issue Northeast School:	\$83,295.17
Balance July 1, 1953.....	82,457.19
Expenditures July 1, 1953 to June 30, 1954.....	8837.98
Balance on Northeast School Bond Issue.....	\$85,000.00
Loan (in lieu of bonds)—Park Street School Remodeling.....	18,325.53
Expenditures to June 30, 1954.....	\$46,674.47
Balance on Park Street School Account.....	
State of Vermont School Construction Aid:	\$68,542.13
Northeast \$52,917.13; Park \$15,625.00.....	500.00
Expenditures to June 30, 1954.....	\$68,042.13
Balance on Vermont School Construction Aid.....	



## DISTRIBUTION OF FEDERAL-STATE AID FOR THE SCHOOL LUNCH PROGRAM

(This money is received from the State and is immediately distributed according to reimbursement claim of each school!.)

Date Received	Total Amount Received	DISTRIBUTION								
		High School	Meldon	Dana	Kingsley	Lincoln	Long-fellow	North-east	Park St.	Watkins
October 14, 1953	\$100.07	\$132.26	\$27.81							
November 13, 1953	481.86	234.21	197.19							
December, 1953	\$56.24	181.12	181.26	\$96.30	\$30.96	\$62.46	\$72.47	\$65.97	\$30.46	\$58.50
January 21, 1954	944.02	191.00	176.58	98.01	65.07	70.47	70.20	130.23	86.12	56.34
February 16, 1954	1,201.41	238.73	225.63	123.30	79.56	88.65	107.88	164.79	105.28	67.59
March 11, 1954	1,116.31	190.71	210.06	118.82	70.10	75.24	97.22	171.00	100.80	70.38
May 26, 1954	576.45	114.11	116.97	67.56	30.97	35.70	39.25	79.12	56.48	36.29
Totals	\$5,336.36	\$1,288.14	\$1,135.50	\$503.97	\$302.06	\$332.52	\$387.02	\$611.11	\$486.34	\$289.10

LIST OF TEACHERS AND OTHER EMPLOYEES  
OF THE RUTLAND PUBLIC SCHOOLS  
JULY 1, 1953 - JUNE 30, 1954

Name of School and Teacher	Degree	Subject or Grade	Paid	Serv. Begin
<b>Central Staff</b>				
Homer B. Ashland.....	M.Ed.	Superintendent.....	\$7,100.00	1948
M. Doris Hastings.....		Administrative Assistant.....	3,120.00	1936
Helen B. McKerley.....		Secretary to Superintendent.....	2,740.00	1943
Mary Margaret Burke.....	R.N.	School Nurse.....	2,650.00	1946
Irene Q. Cocklin.....	D.H.	Dental Hygienist.....	2,250.00	1947
Lucy H. Doane.....	M.A.	*Supervisor of Art.....	4,500.00	1934
Irene E. Eno.....		†Assistant Director of Music.....	3,320.00	1930
Josephine Gray.....	B.A.	Physical Education.....	2,820.00	1953
Elizabeth R. Hughes.....	B.S.	Tests and Measurements.....	3,705.25	1945
George H. Low.....	M.M.	*Director of Music.....	4,720.00	1944
S. Elizabeth McCormack.....	R.N.	School Nurse.....	2,790.00	1940
Charles J. O'Rourke.....		Attendance Officer (half time).....	1,350.00	1945
Helen J. Perry.....	B.S.	Arts and Crafts.....	3,700.00	1923
Dean Rippon.....	M.Ed.	*Physical Education.....	3,140.00	1953
Helen B. Rondina.....	M.E.	Remedial.....	3,022.10	1950

\*Teaches in High and Elementary  
†Teaches in Meldon and Elementary

-Teaches in High, Meldon and Elementary  
/Teaches in Elementary

Name of School and Teacher	Degree	Subject or Grade	Paid	Serv. Began
<b>High School</b>				
Maynard C. Robinson	M.Ed.	Principal	\$5,500.00	1953
Elbery R. Purdy	M.Ed.	Assistant Principal, History	4,820.00	1926
Helen T. Perry		Secretary	2,540.00	1937
Carolyn L. Allen	A.B.	English	4,000.00	1933
Helen M. Bailey	M.A.	French	4,300.00	1930
Edmund L. Boyce	M.Ed.	Mathematics, Head of Department	4,420.00	1933
Madeline S. Buttles	M.E.	Latin	4,220.00	1946
James L. Canary	B.S.	Science, Driver Training	4,055.00	1947
Lewis H. Crossman		Auto Mechanics, Driver Training	3,870.00	1944
Prisella M. Diette		Home Economics	2,700.00	1953
Lucy H. Doane	M.A.	(See Central Staff)		
Henry L. Doll	M.Ed.	Woodworking, Head of Trade School Department	4,700.00	1935
Howard W. Douglas	M.Ed.	Social Studies	4,265.65	1939
Christie J. Drago	M.S.	Science	2,000.00	1953
Vera V. Egelston	B.S.	Business Education	4,000.00	1929
Lloyd E. Flaitz	M.E.	Social Studies	4,300.00	1937
Madeline Flynn	A.B.	English	4,000.00	1937
Josephine Gray	B.A.	(See Central Staff)		
Elizabeth B. Greene	A.B.	Librarian	3,700.00	1921
Peter Goshgarian	B.S.	Business Education	3,269.52	1952
Richard P. Hebert	B.Ed.	Machine Shop	4,000.00	1944
Leo F. Keefe	M.E.	Science, Coordinator of Physical Education and Athletics	4,420.00	1937
George H. Low	M.M.	(See Central Staff)		
Albert W. Martin	A.B.	Mathematics	3,760.00	1950
Lewis F. McKerley		Business Education, Head of Department	4,300.00	1932
William R. Miller	M.E.	Metalworking	3,980.00	1949
Katherine M. Moran	M.A.	Social Studies	4,300.00	1936
L. Mabel Morrill	M.A.	English, Head of Department	4,500.00	1931
Allice Patch	A.B.	English	4,000.00	1937
Audrey St. Clair Harper	M.A.	English	4,300.00	1934
George H. Sloan	M.A.	Science, Head of Department	4,400.00	1950



Name of School and Teacher	Degree	Subject or Grade	Paid	Serv. Began
<b>Meldon School</b>				
Francis I. Bean	M.Ed.	Principal	4,900.00	1933
Eleanor M. Smith		Secretary	1,500.00	1953
Mary M. Canney	M.A.	Art, Reading	2,895.36	1952
Elizabeth F. Carmody	B.S.	English	3,700.00	1929
Claude R. Dollar	B.E.	Industrial Arts	3,380.00	1952
Irene E. Eno		(See Central Staff)		
Josephine Gray	B.A.	(See Central Staff)		
Alice E. Haugh	B.E.	English	3,700.00	1930
Vesta Knight	B.S.	Science	4,000.00	1929
Geraldine M. Lyston	B.E.	Social Studies	3,700.00	1914
Mildred B. Mason	B.E.	Home Economics	3,700.00	1947
Anna A. McDevitt	B.S.	Social Studies	3,688.18	1926
Maxwell A. Moczulewski	M.A.	Mathematics	3,020.00	1951
Gladys H. Nourse	B.S.	Mathematics	4,000.00	1929
Dominic A. Paul	B.S.	Physical Education (Boys), Science	3,045.00	1950
<b>Dana School</b>				
Catherine F. Gaynor	B.S.	Principal, Sixth	4,000.00	1920
Helen B. Sargent		Kindergarten (on year's leave)		
Bailey S. Weston	B.S.	Kindergarten	3,664.53	1946
Lillian B. Fox	B.E.	First	3,700.00	1941
Dorothy S. Bruce	B.S.	First	3,700.00	1945
Mary B. Wood	B.S.	Second	3,700.00	1944
Katherine C. Fox	B.E.	Second	3,700.00	1937
Ramona C. Sabourin	B.S.	Third	3,700.00	1944
Marion G. Corbett	B.E.	Fourth	3,700.00	1943
Jean H. Burke		Fifth	3,120.00	1945
<b>Kingsley School</b>				
Mary D. Przybylo	B.S.	Principal, Second	3,700.00	1949
Grace F. Gilman	B.S.	Kindergarten	3,380.00	1949
Arvilla E. Howe	B.S.	First	3,060.00	1940
Mary R. Kieley	B.S.	Third	3,700.00	1919
M. Marjorie McCarthy	B.E.	Sixth	3,700.00	1952
<b>Lincoln School</b>				
A. Viola Burns	M.E.	Principal, Sixth	4,600.00	1929
Sylvia M. Veale	B.S.	Kindergarten	3,480.00	1953
Shirley T. Hubbard	B.E.	First	3,275.81	1949
Helen R. Trapeni	B.S.	First	2,700.00	1953
Geraldine Phillips	B.S.	Second	2,820.00	1952
May R. Johnson	B.S.	Third	3,700.00	1946
Barbara Davis	B.S.	Fourth	2,700.00	1953
Catherine Y. Laughlin	M.E.	Fifth	4,220.00	1945
<b>Longfellow School</b>				
Earlene Jenness	B.E.	Principal, Fourth	3,710.00	1947
Elizabeth A. Dexter		Kindergarten (1/2) (See Watkins)	2,400.00	1953
Treva Accorsi	B.E.	First	3,380.00	1948
Marjorie S. Thompson		Second	3,120.00	1928
Hazel N. Miller		Third	3,120.00	1948
Ruby J. Dexter	Ph.B.	Fifth	3,165.78	1951
Bernice S. Macabee	A.B.	Sixth	2,940.00	1953
<b>Northeast School</b>				
Walter S. Perkins	M.E.	Principal, Sixth	3,320.00	1953
A. Ethel Alley	B.S.	Kindergarten (a.m. only)	2,036.23	1953
Mary J. O'Neil	B.E.	First	4,000.00	1938
Sophia Chrusciel	B.S.	Second	4,000.00	1948
Ruth J. Allen	B.S.	Third	3,060.00	1949
Leda B. Kassner		Fourth	2,840.00	1951
Ada H. Hart	B.S.	Fifth	4,000.00	1946
<b>Park Street School</b>				
Raymond J. Messer	B.S.	Principal, Fifth and Sixth	4,220.00	1942
Mila A. Collin		Kindergarten (a.m. from October 5)	1,424.56	1953
Sylvia R. Smart		First	3,120.00	1947
Rose Marie Kerrigan		Second	3,700.00	1947
Cora W. Johnston		Third and Fourth (on year's leave)		
Ruth S. Herriek		Third and Fourth	2,840.00	1953

Name of School and Teacher	Degree	Subject or Grade	Paid	Serv. Began
<b>Watkins Avenue School</b>				
Irene H. Eddins	B.S.	Principal, Fifth	3,920.00	1949
Elizabeth A. Dexter		Kindergarten (1/2) (See Longfellow)		
Mollie Mumford	B.S.	First	3,700.00	1933
Dorothy M. Kerrigan	B.S.	Fourth	3,700.00	1945
<b>Supplementary Services</b>				
Edmund L. Boyce		Audio-Visual Director (High)	\$100.00	
Madeline Buttles		Supervisor of Red & White	200.00	
James L. Canary		Faculty Manager of Athletics	400.00	
Lloyd E. Flaitz		Coach, Football, Basketball	700.00	
Madeline Flynn		Editorial Advisor, Talisman	100.00	
Peter Goshgarian		Coach, Skiing	100.00	
Leo F. Keefe		Coach, Basketball, Football	700.00	
Albert W. Martin		Coach, Baseball, J.V. Football	300.00	
Lewis F. McKerley		Business Advisor, Talisman	75.00	
Raymond J. Messer		Audio-Visual Director (Grades)	100.00	
Maxwell A. Moczulewski		Coach, Elementary Basketball, Softball	100.00	
L. Mabel Morrill		Director of Senior Play	100.00	
Dominic A. Paul		Coach, Meldon School	100.00	
Ellery R. Purdy		High School Treasurer	200.00	
Dean Rippon		Coach, Track, Freshman Basketball	300.00	

## DEPARTMENT OF MAINTENANCE AND OPERATION

Carlton W. Southgate	Chief of Maintenance and Operation	\$3,957.57	1936
William P. Austin	Maintenance Staff—Assistant	2,610.07	1946
W. Frank Barnes	Maintenance Staff—Painter	2,596.00	1953
Verlon Guyette	Maintenance Staff—Helper (part year)	404.15	1951
Charles E. Newton	Maintenance Staff—Helper (part year)	1,322.43	1953
Alex J. Orzell	Maintenance Staff—Electrician (part year)	1,533.93	1953
William J. Sullivan	Maintenance Staff—Electrician (part year)	1,204.20	1946

## CUSTODIANS

Percy M. Ackley	Northeast, 74 Jackson Ave.	\$2,651.07	1949
James A. Allan	Watkins, 205 Mussey St.	2,244.82	1953
Warren P. Arthur	Dana, 47 Baxter St.	2,621.57	1945
Parke Austin	High, 32 Elm St.	2,690.00	1944
Arthur Beriau	High, Pittsford	2,592.39	1947
Merritt H. Crawford	Lincoln, 254 North Church St.	2,625.57	1947
Arthur W. Eddy	Park, 15 Chaplin Ave.	2,241.82	1951
Florence Edgerton	Meldon, 36 East St.	2,290.00	1947
Paul V. Fleming	Longfellow, 122 Pearl St.	2,671.06	1953
Leon F. LaBrake	High, 34 Kendall Ave.	3,083.43	1937
Rita P. Osborne	High, 44 Lincoln Ave.	2,290.00	1945
John M. Paddock	Kingsley, 98 1/2 Park St. (part year)	1,854.00	1953
Ernest J. Raymond	Meldon, 86 Jackson Ave.	3,079.93	1940

## SERVICES OF REGULAR EMPLOYEES TERMINATED DURING THE YEAR

Ruth J. Allen	Northeast, Third, resigned	1949
Claude R. Dollar	Meldon, Industrial Arts, resigned	1952
Verlon Guyette	Maintenance Staff, resigned	1951
Walter S. Perkins	Northeast, Principal, resigned	1953
Audrey St. Clair Harper	High, English, resigned	1934
William J. Sullivan	Maintenance Staff, resigned	1946



## CITY OF RUTLAND

## PERSONNEL PAID \$300.00 OR OVER--MISCELLANEOUS SERVICES

Grace F. Bean	Secretarial Service	\$402.50
Frances B. Carlsteen	Substitute Teacher	452.75
Lewis H. Crossman	Veterans Related Training	432.00 (Reimbursable)
Harold Danforth	Veterans Related Training	432.00 (Reimbursable)
Henry L. Doll	Veterans Related Training	1,375.00 (Reimbursable)
M. Doris Hastings	Veterans Related Training	194.50 (Reimbursable)
Richard P. Hebert	Veterans Related Training	414.00 (Reimbursable)
William Hubbard	Veterans Related Training	552.00 (Reimbursable)
Leo F. Keefe	Maintenance—Summer program	653.40
Gordon Kenyon	Veterans Related Training	414.00 (Reimbursable)
Anna B. McHugh	Substitute Teacher	329.04
William R. Miller	Veterans Related Training	432.00 (Reimbursable)
Clement Perfetti	Veterans Related Training	468.00 (Reimbursable)
Myrtie E. Wheeler	Substitute Teacher	467.98

## Library Treasurer

July 1, 1953 to June 30, 1954

## RECEIPTS

Cash on hand July 1, 1953		\$189.61
Appropriation—City of Rutland	\$28,500.00	
Appropriation—Town of Rutland	300.00	
Fines	754.19	
Subscriptions	90.00	
Memberships	272.00	
Income and Transfer from Permanent Funds	1,406.86	
Rental of Records	23.50	
Sundries:		
Gifts received	135.59	
Magazines and books sold	48.00	
Rent—Regional Library	300.00	
Miscellaneous	271.82	
		32,101.96
		\$32,291.57

## DISBURSEMENTS

Salaries	\$19,556.80
Books	5,316.45
Magazines and newspapers	462.30
Film Rental	206.51
Binding	341.64
Lighting	719.29
Fuel	927.51
Telephone	288.03
Furniture and fixtures	598.28
Repairs	449.61
Supplies and printing	1,774.12
Postage	224.95
Insurance	161.33
Social Security	278.30
Travel	272.68
Annual Meeting	61.89
Incidentals	331.13
	\$31,970.82
Cash on hand and in bank June 30, 1954	\$320.75



# Rutland Free Library Statistical Summary For The Year

1 JULY 1953 TO 30 JUNE 1954

Name of Library: Rutland Free Library.  
Date of Foundation: 1886.  
Population served (1950 census): 17,647.  
Terms of use: Free to residents, people employed in the City and students attending local schools. Free for reading and reference.  
Number of days open: 304.  
Number of hours open per week: 69.  
Hours required of staff per week: 40.  
Number of agencies: Main library only.

<b>Book Stock</b>	
Number of volumes at beginning of year	54,215
Number of volumes added by purchase	2,182
Number of volumes added by gift	64
Number of volumes withdrawn	533
Number of volumes at end of year	55,928
Number of volumes mended	3,534

<b>Registration</b>	
Number of new borrowers registered during year	1,033
Adult	590
Juvenile	443
Number of old borrowers re-registered during year	369
Adult	275
Juvenile	94
Total number of registered borrowers	5,628

<b>Circulation</b>	
Adult non-fiction	21,873
Juvenile non-fiction	9,668
Adult fiction	46,294
Juvenile fiction	16,415
Books in foreign language	69
Periodicals	5,442
Pamphlets	908
Pictures and prints	8
Phonograph records:	
Adult	806
Juvenile	2,880
Stations (Classrooms, Sunset Home, etc.)	9,614

<b>Other Services</b>	
Attendance at showings of Library films	6,867
Attendance at Classes, Lectures, Book Talks, Discussions, Workshops, Forums	2,702

# Parking Meter Fund

Receipts and Expenditures for Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 1954

	Receipts	Disb'sem'ts
Cash Balance July 1, 1953	\$12,344.17	
Meter Collections	32,017.27	
Miscellaneous Receipts	130.00	
Borrowed from City Banks for purchase of lot	150,000.00	
Salaries		\$9,240.23
Maintenance of Traffic Lights		572.35
Maintenance of GMC Truck		167.28
Insurance of GMC Truck		53.59
Maintenance Recall System		19.91
Paint and Supplies		499.56
Traffic Signs		352.80
Parts and Repairs		479.71
Purchase of Depot Park		150,000.00
Tree Removal, Grading, Gravel Trucking, etc.		12,149.30
Liability Insurance Parking Lots		208.89
Miscellaneous		61.43
	<u>\$194,491.44</u>	<u>\$173,805.05</u>
Cash Balance June 30, 1954		20,686.39
	<u>\$194,491.44</u>	<u>\$194,491.44</u>



# Overseer of the Poor

To the Honorable City Council:

I herewith submit my financial report as Overseer of the Poor for the year July 1, 1953 to July 1, 1954.

Appropriation.....	\$33,771.00	
Transfer from Hospital Account.....	3,000.00	
Credits Paid City Treasurer.....	4,522.35	
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>		
Outside Poor.....		\$18,084.98
Barbering and Supplies for Inmates.....		26.93
Clothing for Inmates.....		189.53
Farm Labor.....		3,208.50
Farm Supplies.....		457.88
Fuel for Farm.....		1,205.50
Gas for Cooking at Farm.....		62.71
Gas and Oil for Truck, Tractor and Transportation.....		1,215.38
Grain and Bedding.....		1,450.44
Groceries for Farm.....		2,575.80
Household Supplies at Farm.....		272.62
Insurance on Produce in Barn and Silo.....		8.40
Liability Insurance.....		146.71
Lights for Farm and Barn.....		344.22
Livestock Purchased and Insurance.....		1,312.70
Medicine and Supplies for Inmates.....		158.67
Office Supplies.....		373.43
Physician for Inmates.....		42.65
Repairs and Improvements at Farm.....		923.57
Salaries.....		7,151.10
Storm Damage at Farm.....		339.15
Telephone at Farm.....		185.07
Telephone at Office.....		191.37
Tobacco for Inmates at Farm.....		91.51
Truck, Tractor Repairs and Supplies.....		158.19
Truck, Tractor Insurance and Registration.....		80.68
<b>TOTAL.....</b>	<b>\$41,293.35</b>	<b>\$40,257.69</b>
Balance.....		\$1,035.66

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### AID GIVEN

Archer, Lois.....	\$18.00	Isabelle, Etta.....	12.00
Babbitt, Mrs. Ethel.....	5.00	Jasmin, Earl, Sr.....	2.67
Bardwell, Kenneth.....	4.00	Jimenez, Silverio.....	103.40
Bardwell, Melbourne.....	65.47	Johnson, John Henry.....	14.80
Bardwell, Mrs. Steve.....	93.09	Johnson, Mrs. Gertrude.....	954.70
Barrows, Elva.....	2.66	Johnson, Thomas.....	5.00
Bearss, Eva.....	119.66	Kane, Mary.....	55.00
Bell, Dana.....	14.80	Kelley, Mary.....	32.45
Bell, Mrs. Edw. J.....	2.67	Kilbourn, Beryl S.....	99.75
Bennett, Musetta.....	694.29	King, Clarence.....	21.33
Bigelow, Mrs. Ray.....	520.00	LaBombard, Ruth.....	2.67
Bizon, Joe.....	47.64	LaFerriere, Lucien.....	74.08
Bourasso, Alice.....	158.50	LaForest, John.....	37.29
Bousley, Joseph.....	7.00	LaJoice, Mrs. Prosper.....	840.00
Bowen, Harriett.....	199.16	Lamphere, Mary B.....	17.04
Brown, Elliott.....	18.67	Lancour, Robert.....	10.00
Brown, Mrs. Mary.....	116.37	Landry, Raymond.....	3.71
Burness, Nellie.....	132.71	Lane, Francis.....	10.00
Burns, Grace.....	88.70	Lavigne, Albert.....	2.30
Cagney, Ann.....	22.75	Lawrence, Mertie.....	57.59
Chastenay, Adele.....	27.82	Lindberg, Geo.....	6.00
Chatterton, Ella.....	512.56	Lyman, Barbara.....	24.42
Christmas, Emma.....	60.00	Mackin, John.....	13.75
Cocklin, John.....	114.60	Maranville, James B.....	10.00
Colty, Harold.....	10.00	Marchaland, Fred.....	16.05
Conway, James.....	20.00	Maroney, John.....	80.30
Cooper, Mrs. Walter.....	41.33	Medlin, Donald.....	13.86
Coro, George.....	3.11	Merriam, Mrs. Frank.....	291.68
Courceille, James.....	36.37	Miles, Mrs. Cloys.....	13.00
Crandall, John.....	147.92	Miles, James.....	5.33
Davis, Bertha.....	51.70	Miles, Orin.....	92.67
Davis, Della.....	67.38	Mitchell, John.....	160.51
Davis, George.....	16.00	Morgan, Harley.....	77.50
Davis, Perley.....	394.83	Morse, Alan.....	10.30
Denno, Mrs. Arthur.....	196.32	*Mott, Robert.....	203.88
Denno, Robert.....	470.71	MacLean, Ella.....	51.46
Derby, Henry.....	94.97	McCullough, Lawrence.....	30.00
Derby, John.....	267.26	McGarry, John.....	55.80
Dierma, Cordella.....	2.67	McGarry, Thos. F.....	45.00
Doaner, Harry.....	84.00	McNaughton, William.....	27.00
Doner, Joseph.....	3.57	McNulty, Leonard.....	8.00
Dougherty, Charles.....	72.42	McNulty, Robert.....	17.65
Drown, Mattie (Mossey).....	100.00	Noble, Henry.....	110.16
Ducho, Myrtle.....	106.88	Nutter, Roy.....	621.00
Dudley, Darline.....	2.24	*Parker, John.....	321.02
Duprey, Edw. L.....	20.00	Parker, Richard.....	90.08
Duprey, Joseph.....	37.71	Patterson, Percy.....	291.03
Duprey, Raymond.....	90.26	Pelkey, Oliver.....	36.97
Eitapence, Paul T.....	48.50	Pellegrenelli, Cesare.....	56.10
Elkey, Mary.....	13.23	Peters, Charles.....	25.00
Eno, Harold.....	22.00	Philemenia, Catherine.....	18.46
Eubar, Anthony.....	17.15	Picord, Henry.....	2.66
Fall, Stewart.....	5.00	Ploof, Abe.....	186.98
Field, Harriett.....	28.35	Pomykala, John.....	38.02
Firkey, Mary.....	16.74	Ponto, Raymond.....	162.24
Fitzgerald, John.....	15.00	Porter, Mrs. Frank.....	151.16
Flanders, Ellis.....	27.00	Potter, Edw.....	143.18
Flanders, Martha A.....	3.60	Reagan, Louise.....	39.29
Flood, Mrs. John.....	57.70	Renaud, Joseph.....	10.00
Forsba, Robert.....	35.00	Rogers, Anna.....	85.87
Foster, Chas. Fred.....	101.34	Rogers, Rollin.....	11.00
Fox, William.....	10.00	Ross, Clyde.....	48.00
Friberg, Oscar.....	7.13	Royce, Edw.....	15.00
†Glenson, Thelma.....	2.22	Royce, Harry.....	145.28
Gocha, John.....	63.67	Rowe, Sally.....	8.00
Grady, Margaret.....	253.20	Russell, Mary.....	2.00
Grenier, Edward.....	19.87	Russo, Louis.....	18.00
Grev, Mrs. Arthur.....	21.54	Sawyer, Mrs. John.....	388.03
Hall, Mrs. Josephine.....	12.01	Saymore, Ruby.....	25.85
Halpin, Edward.....	31.00	Shattuck, Harold.....	74.70
Harrington, Edward.....	3.97	Sheldon, Lillian.....	2.50
Harris, John.....	65.95	Sheldon, Louis.....	48.75
Hatton, Michael.....	21.00	Shelvey, George.....	199.91
Horan, Robert.....	72.07	Shelvey, Mrs. Mary.....	314.00
Houghton, Mrs. Lee.....	258.96	†Stillwell, Raymond.....	22.95
Hudson, Raymond.....	22.65	Sterling, Fred.....	16.00
Hurlburt, Frances.....	12.50	Stocker, Barbara.....	28.59



## CITY OF RUTLAND

Stowe, William I.	2.66	Webster, Raymond	20.00
Tafari, Tony	267.74	Welch, Gilbert	32.00
Thornton, Mary	808.79	West, Henry	5.00
Tirabouski, John	40.00	White, Nora	144.30
Toomey, Charles	48.50	Wortman, Margaret	78.19
Traynor, Mrs. Jos.	147.66	Woods, Harry C.	42.00
Tuggey, Frank	354.67	Wynne, Gordon	40.00
Turner, Bernice	5.34	Young, Charles	41.48
Vassau, Henry	266.75	Zambelli, Archie	2.00
Vaughn, Sam	235.00	Wood Project	1,080.00
Vincent, Louis	139.24		
Vincent, Mabel	133.14		
*Vincent, Malcolm	43.98		
Vitello, Louis	40.64		
Waite, Mrs. Benj.	36.51		
Walker, Clifford	9.35		

TOTAL \$18,084.98

†Towns  
\*Worked at Farm

## TOTALS OF AID GIVEN

Ambulance	\$135.00	Milk	638.73
Board and Care	5,884.04	Miscellaneous	754.46
Burial	321.00	Physician	1,521.96
Clothing	325.26	Wood Project	1,080.00
Fuel	1,952.74		
Groceries	3,092.98		
Medicine and Supplies	2,378.81		

TOTAL \$18,084.98

## MONEY REFUNDED FOR AID GIVEN

Burns, Grace	\$55.00		
Derby, Henry	5.00		
		TOTAL	\$60.00

## MONEY REFUNDED FROM OTHER TOWNS

Proctorsville	\$25.17		
Town of Rutland	48.06		
		TOTAL	\$73.23

## MONEY REFUNDED FROM OTHER SOURCES

Board at Farm	\$174.50	Milk sold	3,665.55
Calf sold	11.50	Storm damage	422.95
Chicken sold	1.50	Vegetables sold	5.00
City Farm telephone	3.75	Wood sold	57.00
Eggs sold	40.36		
Farm supplies	1.01		
Junk sold	5.00		

TOTAL \$4,389.12

## SUMMARY OF REIMBURSEMENTS

Money Refunded for Aid Given	\$60.00
Money Refunded from Other Towns	73.23
Money Refunded from Other Sources	4,389.12
TOTAL	\$4,522.35

## CONVALESCENT AND HOSPITAL ACCOUNT

Appropriation	\$30,000.00
Credits Paid City Treasurer	2,983.89
Expenditures	\$29,434.41
Transfer to Charities	3,000.00
TOTAL	\$32,983.89
BALANCE	\$32,434.41
	\$549.48

## ALBANY HOSPITAL

Underwood, George	\$2.25		
		TOTAL	\$2.25

## BISHOP DEGOESBRIAND HOSPITAL

Blood, Elwin	\$61.10	Poquette, Delphise	472.66
Davis, Bertha	389.19		
Kellogg, Mrs. Mary	54.56		
		TOTAL	\$977.51

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## HASKINS CONVALESCENT HOME

Brown, Elliott	\$4.03	Stokowski, Vincenta	840.00
Chatterton, Ella	224.40	Tafari, Tony	444.19
Flood, Mrs. John	244.16	Vincent, Louis	74.45
Houghton, Mrs. Lee	840.00		
Hudson, Raymond J.	26.30	TOTAL	\$2,950.74
Kelley, Mary	253.21		

## MARY FLETCHER HOSPITAL

Cadoret, Hazel	\$261.00	Roucoulet, Donald	224.35
Morgan, Harley	311.00		
MacLean, Ella	815.95	TOTAL	\$1,612.30

## MARY HITCHCOCK HOSPITAL

Denno, Mrs. Arthur	\$207.35	TOTAL	\$207.35
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## ORLEANS COUNTY MEMORIAL HOSPITAL

Cagney, Ann	\$40.85	TOTAL	\$40.85
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## PERHAM'S REST HOME

Burns, Grace	\$35.00	Vassau, Henry	561.66
Duclo, Myrtle	576.00	Wortman, Margaret	579.00
Kelley, Nellie	540.00	Young, Charles E.	461.06
Lamphere, Mary B.	865.00		
Rogers, Rollin	300.00	TOTAL	\$4,817.72
Sheldon, Lillian	900.00		

## PORTER HOSPITAL, INC.

Vassau, Henry	\$397.40	TOTAL	\$397.40
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## PRATT CONVALESCENT HOME

Rogers, Anna	\$688.32		
Train, Catherine	88.00	TOTAL	\$776.32

## PROCTOR HOSPITAL

Hadley, Mrs. Dorothy	\$44.00	TOTAL	\$44.00
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## RUTLAND HOSPITAL

Allen, Harry W.	\$254.50	Duprey, Edward (child)	181.92
Anderson, Augustus	45.25	Duprey, Joseph (child)	182.15
Archer, Lois (child)	113.50	Earle, Mrs. Nan Armstrong	494.50
Atwood, Harry (child)	64.25	Ellis, Mrs. Lulu A.	299.90
Atwood, Lloyd	74.95	Flood, Mrs. John	11.10
Babbitt, Mrs. Ethel	83.15	Foster, Chas. Fred	171.70
Bailey, William Carlos	55.05	Friberg, Oscar F.	126.50
Ballantyne, Doreen	48.41	Garvey, Mrs. Vera	63.25
Baron, John	157.78	Gibbs, Mrs. Mary B.	506.76
Bearss, M.S. Eva	404.35	Gocha, John	10.00
Beaudry, Robert	141.45	Grandy, Margaret	20.00
Beljay, Charles J.	33.50	Grayson, Thos. (Mrs. and child)	73.00
Bennett, Musetta	43.70	Grenier, Edward S.	69.45
Bentz, George A.	8.50	Gunning, William P.	24.00
Bousley, Joseph (child)	22.00	Hadley, Mrs. Dorothy (child)	140.40
Bowen, Harriett	205.60	Howard, Joseph B.	164.40
Brown, Elliott	66.80	Hudson, Raymond J.	704.08
Brown, Mrs. Mary	70.50	Jasmin, Earl, Sr.	35.00
Bruten, Daniel	453.35	Johnson, Thos. Rogers	17.50
Burke, Robert (Mrs. and child)	76.50	Kelley, Mary	1,444.85
Burton, Mrs. Mary	57.50	Kourluk, Daniel	367.40
Coccia, Mary	76.00	Kilburn, Beryl Sawyer	78.30
Collins, George A.	118.50	King, Clarence	38.75
Colton, Elmer	20.00	King, Mrs. Florence	142.19
Colvin, Francis	71.06	Kiss, Gabriel	15.12
Crandall, John (Mrs.)	54.20	Kokaloff, Alexander	34.00
Davis, Della	87.65	LaFerriere, Lucien	86.50
Denno, Mrs. Arthur	12.00	Lamphere, Frank H.	37.00
Denno, Beatrice	25.02	Landry, Raymond (Mrs.)	265.38
Denno, Robert C.	305.00	Malek, Mrs. Michael	171.95
Derby, Henry (Mrs. and child)	105.80	Manfredi, Madelyn (child)	24.45
Dumas, Arthur	190.00	Manley, Lincoln	119.70



Maranville, James B.	378.92	Royce, Harry	40.50
Miles, Mrs. Cloys	224.40	Sawyer, Mrs. Harold	26.50
Miller, Mrs. Chas. (child)	95.85	Sawyer, Mrs. John	111.15
Mitchell, John F.	326.85	Scott, Robert	26.55
Morgan, Harley	148.75	Sharon, Matilda	89.04
Morgan, Mrs. Rose (and child)	79.20	Shelvey, Mrs. Mary	76.70
Morrison, John	778.73	Sherbert, George T.	562.05
Morse, Alan E.	71.30	Snee, Dudley B.	101.05
Mott, Charles H.	108.95	Sterling, Fred B.	71.50
Mullally, Mary L.	117.50	Tozer, Harry	23.42
MacLean, Ella	111.82	Tuliper, Alton (Mrs.)	57.35
McCullough, Lawrence (Mrs.)	34.00	Turner, Mrs. Bernice	25.00
McElroy, Mrs. Eleanor	64.50	Vassau, Henry	86.00
McGinnis, James M.	71.85	Vincent, Louis (Mrs. and child)	451.02
McGuirk, James	17.50	Vincent, Mabel	10.50
Nutter, Roy	27.15	Vincent, Malcolm (child)	326.40
Parker, Richard (child)	32.20	Walker, Clifford S.	189.25
Patterson, Percy (Mrs. and child)	259.12	Weinle, Robert L.	387.25
Ploof, Abe	148.75	White, Nora	10.00
Pomykala, John (Mrs.)	55.35	Woods, Charles (Mrs. and child)	90.45
Ponto, Raymond (Mrs.)	15.00	Woods, Harry M.	97.15
Reed, Harry	13.00	Wortman, Margaret	562.85
Renaud, Joseph E.	399.83	Wortman, Clayton J.	100.10
Robillard, Michael	17.85	Young, Charles E.	629.90
Rogers, Rollin	52.40		
Rondeau, Paul A.	179.90	TOTAL	\$17,607.37

## SUMMARY OF CONVALESCENT HOMES AND HOSPITAL EXPENDITURES

Albany Hospital	\$2.25	Pratt Convalescent Home	776.32
Bishop DeGoesbriand Hospital	977.51	Proctor Hospital	44.60
Haskin's Convalescent Home	2,950.74	Rutland Hospital	17,607.37
Mary Fletcher Hospital	1,612.30		
Mary Hitchcock Hospital	207.35	TOTAL	\$29,434.41
Orleans County Memorial Hospital	40.85		
Perham's Rest Home	4,817.72	Transfer to Charities	\$3,000.00
Porter Hospital, Inc.	397.40		

## MONEY REFUNDED FOR CONVALESCENT HOMES AND HOSPITAL AID GIVEN

Atwood, Harry	\$52.50	Hughes, James	20.00
Bailey, William Carlos	205.80	Johnson, Thos. Rogers	17.50
Baron, John	157.78	Kokaloff, Alexander	106.50
Bearss, Mrs. Eva	55.00	Shelvey, Mrs. Mary	50.00
Bennett, Musetta	55.00	Sterling, Fred B.	30.00
Burke, Robert	8.00	St. Peter, Richard	80.00
Derby, Henry	2.00	Vassau, Henry	106.00
Flood, Mrs. John	193.03	West, Henry	211.60
Friberg, Oscar F.	126.50	Woods, Charles	39.41
Hevey, Henry	200.00	Young, Charles E.	133.70
Heinlin, Mrs. Lena	15.00		
Houghton, Mrs. Lee	32.37	TOTAL	\$2,069.69
Hudson, Ray	172.00		

## MONEY REFUNDED FROM STATE FOR TRANSFER AID

Collins, George A.	\$116.50		
Howard, Joseph	164.40	TOTAL	\$914.20
Pritchard, Robert	633.30		

TOTAL CONVALESCENT AND HOSPITAL REIMBURSEMENTS \$2,983.89

## INMATES AT PLEASANT ACRES FARM JULY 1, 1953

Allen, Harry	Harrington, Edgar	O'Boyle, Mary
Elkey, Blanche	Kilbourn, Beryl Sawyer	Tatro, George
Fagan, Fred	Loftus, Anthony	Williams, Geneva
Firkey, Mary	Manley, Lincoln	

## INMATES ADMITTED TO PLEASANT ACRES FARM UP TO JULY 1, 1954

Fairchild, Willard	Joyce, Thomas	Miles, James
Fairchild, Thomas	Linberg, George	Miles, Grey
Friberg, Oscar	Marotti, George	Rogers, Rollin
Heaney, Joseph		

## INMATES DISCHARGED FROM PLEASANT ACRES FARM UP TO JULY 1, 1954

Elkey, Blanche	Harrington, Edward	Marotti, George
Fagan, Fred	Heaney, Joseph	Tatro, George
Friberg, Oscar	Linberg, George	

## INMATES AT PLEASANT ACRES FARM JULY 1, 1954

Allen, Harry	Kilbourn, Beryl S.	Miles, James
Firkey, Mary	Loftus, Anthony	O'Boyle, Mary
Fairchild, Willard	Manley, Lincoln	Rogers, Rollin
Fairchild, Thos.	Miles, Grey	Williams, Geneva
Joyce, Thos.		



# Employees of the City of Rutland, Vermont

## Earning Over \$300.00 from

July 1, 1953 - June 30, 1954

Dan J. Healy, Mayor.....	\$3,382.00
H. P. Battles, City Clerk and Purchasing Agent.....	5,197.97
E. J. Crowley, Commissioner of Public Works, Superintendent of Water and City Engineer.....	5,308.48
W. J. Simonds, City Treasurer.....	4,774.14
John C. Wellwood, Overseer of Poor.....	2,476.52
James T. Haugh, City Attorney.....	2,938.78
Norman H. Cox, Meat Inspector.....	1,564.80
Charles D. Beale, Health Officer and Milk Inspector.....	3,000.30
Mary Hanrahan, Asst. City Treasurer.....	3,317.29
Ellen A. Maxwell, Asst. City Clerk.....	3,417.57
Thelma E. Doil, Asst. City Clerk.....	2,948.98

### FIRE DEPARTMENT

A. H. Koltonski, Chief Engineer.....	\$4,879.05
Ralph Bean, First Assistant.....	3,841.29
Frank Seward, Second Assistant.....	3,786.01
Percy Wood, Captain.....	3,471.19
James Rice, Captain.....	3,514.47
James Barron.....	3,122.77
Richard Barron.....	3,122.77
Edward Earle.....	3,178.05
George Ferguson.....	3,122.77
Edward Handley.....	3,122.77
William Houston.....	3,144.22
Patrick Hurley.....	3,131.32
Bernard Kelley.....	2,031.10
Martin Kelly.....	3,145.63
John Kent.....	3,122.77
Richard Lovett.....	3,122.77
Thomas Lynch.....	3,131.32
Charles McGinnis.....	3,122.77

### POLICE DEPARTMENT

J. Fred Carbine, Chief.....	\$4,751.78
John L. Dinn, Captain.....	3,764.19
Raymond R. Mooney, 1st Ser- geant.....	3,427.35
Charles F. Callahan, 2nd Ser- geant.....	3,427.35
William F. Murphy.....	3,359.79
Quincy M. Baker.....	3,178.12
Robert F. Ballou.....	3,031.45
Nicholas A. Barone.....	2,777.11
Neville J. Barrett.....	3,247.30
Daniel J. Brown.....	3,050.88
Glen G. Coltey.....	2,337.97
James W. Densmore.....	2,503.97
Emmett J. Fleming.....	3,122.83
Charles J. Fox.....	3,122.83
Samuel C. Gorruso.....	3,122.83

### AIRPORT

Joseph Rock.....	\$649.96
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### CHARITY

Margaret Davies.....	\$2,268.75
Richard Decker.....	1,688.92
Ruby Decker.....	1,131.00

Frank L. Rice, Asst. City En- gineer.....	3,651.67
Clifford B. Wilson, Assisting City Engineer.....	3,041.32
Mary C. McCormick, Assisting City Engineer.....	3,041.32
Herbert Erickson, Assisting City Engineer.....	837.00
Mary G. Mulqueen, Assisting City Treasurer.....	2,282.30
Mary C. Mumford, Assisting City Treasurer.....	1,913.50
Mary Rita Walleit, Assisting City Clerk.....	2,191.00
George T. Moroney, Assessor.....	2,520.00
George W. Donahue, Assessor.....	352.61
Edward Clarino, Janitor.....	2,686.26

Gerald Moore.....	3,122.77
Arthur Myhre.....	3,122.77
John Olson.....	3,178.05
William O'Rourke.....	3,075.59
George Regan.....	3,122.77
Fred Savage.....	3,122.77
Clarence Seward.....	3,178.05
Raymond Seward.....	2,732.03
Charles Taylor.....	3,086.19
John Thompson.....	2,829.75
Francis Walsh.....	3,122.77
Charles Barrett.....	387.85
Theodore Cacioppi.....	516.75
Edward Regan.....	523.64
Arnold Rowe.....	1,906.09
Hugh Rounds.....	344.50
Hubert Gauthier.....	675.87
William Grace.....	300.42

Albert B. Grazini.....	3,122.83
James E. Hesse.....	3,127.83
Daniel J. McCarthy.....	2,522.94
Bernard A. McDonough.....	3,122.83
Dennis J. Noonan.....	3,037.25
Clayton E. Peer.....	3,178.12
Francis A. Ryan.....	2,724.53
Edwin W. Small.....	3,122.83
Charles E. Spoon.....	3,122.83
Alvar C. Wener.....	3,122.83
Douglas Cook.....	578.76
Edward Baker.....	537.42
Robert E. Cameron.....	1,654.69
Donald T. Hubbard.....	380.25
James C. Piggrem.....	399.62
Charles Tesconi.....	585.93

Walter F. Bardsley.....	1,778.53
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Catherine Walsh.....	2,405.83
Ford Halliday.....	567.73
Henry West.....	375.00

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### RECREATION

William Suchs, Acting Super- intendent.....	\$2,112.72	*Ernest Cameron.....	2,695.43
James F. Herdic Jr.....	2,161.32	Susanne Clutter.....	1,668.82
Sanford Gregg, Assistant Super- intendent.....	665.01	Maxwell A. Moczulewski.....	472.50
Richard Pasvolsky.....	870.26	Nelson Smith.....	335.00

\*Includes amount paid by Police Dept.

### PUBLIC WORKS

Jame T. McLaughlin, Super- intendent.....	\$4,895.40	Frederick Savage, Jr.....	750.50
John Conner.....	3,956.37	Robert A. Shepard.....	1,707.78
Anthony Altobelli, Jr.....	500.50	Clyde H. Spaulding.....	2,912.17
Raymond Baird.....	1,266.75	Ernest Stone.....	810.75
Robert Beaudry.....	1,176.75	Walter Stone.....	397.50
Stanley Bizon.....	308.50	Richard G. St. Peter.....	393.00
Claude Blongy.....	3,231.40	Archangelo Valente.....	2,180.75
Frank J. Chamberlain.....	2,838.51	Nicholas Valenty.....	3,265.72
Elmer Champine, Jr.....	3,302.74	Louis Vincent.....	1,008.06
Joseph Colodonato.....	2,478.91	William H. Wade.....	3,028.21
Joseph Coloutti.....	1,049.75	James B. Ward.....	2,628.84
J. Corsi.....	1,062.25	Lyle C. Willis.....	4,311.73
James Coureille.....	374.50	Peter Zambon.....	3,241.86
*George H. DuBray.....	394.25	Aniello Zullo.....	2,191.01
William Dumas.....	982.00	F. Zullo.....	1,151.75
Frederick C. Dutelle.....	3,197.61	William T. Dwyer, Superin- tendent of Water Department.....	4,062.73
Anthony J. Ezzo.....	3,583.64	T. S. Gilson (retired).....	558.48
Donald E. Foster.....	3,145.73	Joseph M. Healy.....	543.00
George Fox.....	3,674.04	Harry B. Jasmin.....	3,124.52
William Frazier.....	3,099.77	Howard Lewis.....	2,767.86
Louis Garafano.....	3,190.93	George Loyzelle.....	3,053.55
Harry Garvey.....	1,516.50	Martin Notte.....	3,223.99
Robert E. Horan.....	1,901.00	Erwin E. Pitts.....	2,662.57
John Howard.....	3,205.30	Francis Powers.....	2,781.84
Clifford L. Johnson.....	3,159.97	Edward Raymond.....	821.25
George E. Johnstone.....	1,286.83	James Baker.....	452.50
Benedict Lorman.....	2,580.29	Philip Crowley.....	340.75
Thomas Maroney.....	422.75	Peter Falco.....	410.75
Domenico Marro.....	1,584.98	*George Greene.....	397.50
James B. McGinnis.....	2,469.09	Willis C. Hamilton.....	437.00
John Nichols (retired).....	484.64	Patrick Levins.....	515.00
Peter Notte.....	3,194.50	Cloys Miles.....	564.75
Hugh Olson.....	2,891.30	Charles Norton, Jr.....	374.25
Earl O'Rourke.....	2,971.60	Martin O'Dell.....	301.50
Fred Perkins.....	713.00	Lester Pitts.....	893.00
Gardner Rice.....	3,524.63	James Robinson.....	628.75
Henry S. Rizziere.....	550.00	John Ryan.....	516.49
Donald W. Santwire.....	2,804.30		

\*Includes amount paid by Recreation Dept.

### PENSIONERS

Nora B. Anthony.....	\$753.72	Anna R. Maughan.....	537.72
Anna C. Carpenter.....	761.04	Eleanor T. Maughan.....	614.40
Charles Cassin.....	627.60	Anna T. Moynihan.....	767.04
Helena Corcoran.....	400.32	Abbie G. Mulqueen.....	363.72
William Crosby.....	300.00	Anna McHugh.....	618.36
Pasquale DeBlasio.....	684.24	John Reilly.....	800.04
Frank Fiske.....	510.00	Adelaide B. Schryver.....	785.64
†William Foster.....	656.52	Jeremiah Stone.....	761.76
John W. Gleason.....	390.00	Jennie C. Walsh.....	727.44
Mabel H. Gleason.....	737.04		
Adelbert L'Ange.....	530.04		
George J. Loyzelle.....	331.20		
Henry McLaughlin.....	437.40		
Grace Martel.....	521.16		

\*\*Amounts shown do not include payments made by the insurance company.  
†Includes amount paid by Water Dept.



Year	Polls	Grand List	Tax Rate	Intangible List Group 1	Tax Rate	Tax	Intangible List Group 2	Tax Rate	Tax	Total Tax
1905	3,044	81,883.99	\$1.60							\$131,014.38
1906	3,063	83,110.01	1.60							132,976.02
1907	3,149	87,660.09	1.60							140,256.14
1908	3,126	88,003.56	1.60							140,805.70
1909	3,206	86,356.20	1.60							138,169.92
1910	3,217	87,484.23	1.60							139,974.77
1911	3,495	93,537.51	1.80							168,367.52
1912	3,709	95,508.73	1.70							162,364.84
1913	3,729	106,714.10	1.70							181,413.97
1914	4,048	108,448.32	1.80							195,206.98
1915	4,086	110,288.69	1.80							198,519.64
1916	4,017	110,562.68	1.80							199,012.82
1917	4,192	111,580.93	2.00							223,161.86
1918	4,106	113,744.85	2.00							227,489.70
1919	4,328	120,848.55	2.20							265,866.81
1920	4,298	121,430.94	2.50							303,599.85
1921	9,177	122,267.00	2.80							342,347.60
1922	8,897	122,307.63	3.00							366,922.89
1923	9,050	126,123.88	3.15							397,290.22
1924	9,024	128,026.69	3.35							428,889.41
1925	9,049	130,445.73	3.10							404,381.76
1926	9,023	121,008.61	3.20							404,500.49
1927	9,107	125,876.19	3.60	\$15,829.75	\$ .40	\$6,331.90	\$5,470.52	\$2.00	\$10,941.04	490,952.42
1928	9,542	129,108.84	3.60	65,559.26	.40	26,223.70	5,787.22	2.00	11,574.44	502,251.61
1929	9,921	131,211.69	3.90	63,097.83	.40	25,239.13	6,110.33	2.00	12,220.66	550,836.29
1930	9,654	133,916.41	3.70	66,183.14	.40	26,473.26	6,318.72	2.00	12,637.44	536,434.07
1931	9,434	133,961.72	3.80	70,795.61	.40	28,318.34	6,312.56	2.00	12,625.12	547,988.96
1932	9,369	132,089.35	3.60	67,417.33	.40	26,966.93	5,983.75	2.00	11,967.50	489,575.16
1933	9,251	130,003.56	3.51							470,183.99
1934	9,456	129,843.26	3.51							459,933.84
1935	9,686	129,192.15	3.51							477,679.42
1936	9,661	129,805.74	4.36							583,046.97
1937	9,740	131,818.49	4.00							551,623.96
1938	9,355	132,169.75	3.80							525,632.55
1939	9,351	132,779.70	4.45							614,504.74
1940	9,614	133,419.89	4.35							604,414.44
1941	9,590	133,838.85	4.20							562,123.17
1942	9,338	136,460.63	4.10							559,488.17
1943	8,896	134,966.16	4.00							539,864.64
1944	8,762	135,146.81	4.35							587,888.62
1945	9,053	137,592.37	4.30							591,688.05
1946	10,060	142,175.92	4.45							657,841.75
1947	9,831	212,448.44	3.75							796,681.69
1948	9,737	211,581.00	3.60							761,691.42
1949	9,723	215,336.24	4.90							1,055,147.37
1950	9,598	215,169.21	4.45							957,502.97
*1951	9,315	224,305.00	2.55							571,979.54
1952	9,241	225,877.23	4.70							1,061,625.00
1953	9,260	229,837.73	5.10							1,199,953.17
1954	9,074	235,497.43	5.15							1,240,033.77

Figures exclude special assessment for Old Age Assistance paid to State of Vermont, \$3.00 on each poll.

\*Six month period January 1st to June 30th, 1951.

TAX BUDGET  
For the fiscal year beginning  
JULY 1, 1954 and ending JUNE 30, 1955

	Budget Appropriation	Per Capita Cost
*Education.....	\$465,838.23	\$26.40
Streets.....	140,000.00	7.93
Sewers.....	21,665.00	1.23
General Public Works.....	98,075.00	1.59
Snow Removal.....	23,000.00	1.30
Water.....	53,115.00	3.01
Fire.....	107,963.00	6.12
†Police.....	87,000.00	4.93
Street Lighting.....	34,000.00	1.93
Salary Account.....	44,000.00	2.49
Payment of Bonds.....	110,000.00	6.23
Interest.....	27,000.00	1.53
Pension Fund.....	61,000.00	3.46
Airport Expense.....	16,818.00	.95
Charity Expense.....	36,771.00	2.08
Hospital Expense.....	28,000.00	1.59
Library Appropriation.....	30,246.00	1.71
Dependent Children and Mother's Aid.....	16,000.00	.91
Workman's Compensation.....	5,200.00	.29
County Tax and Vermont Extension Service.....	10,000.00	.56
Recreation.....	25,879.00	1.47
†Court House Addition.....	11,000.00	.62
/General Expenses.....	32,610.00	1.86
	\$1,415,180.23	\$80.19

\*Education figures do not include Federal and State aid, tuition and other receipts. Budget for school department including Federal aid, etc., \$566,962.00.

†Three patrolmen paid from parking meters.

†Court House appropriation approved by voters. Appropriation for Court House and Education based on a Grand List of \$239,000.00.

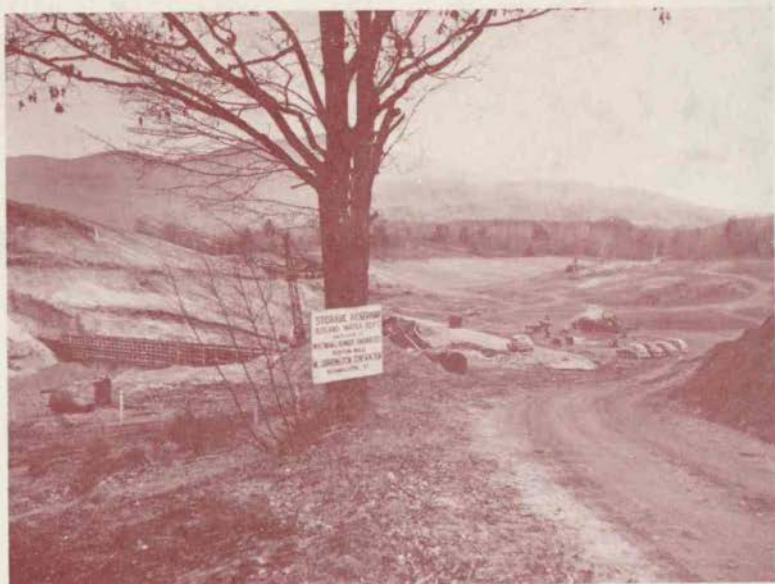
/General expenses include insurance, three election expenses, Rutland City Band, books, stationery, phones, printing, building repairs and maintenance and fuel for City Hall.



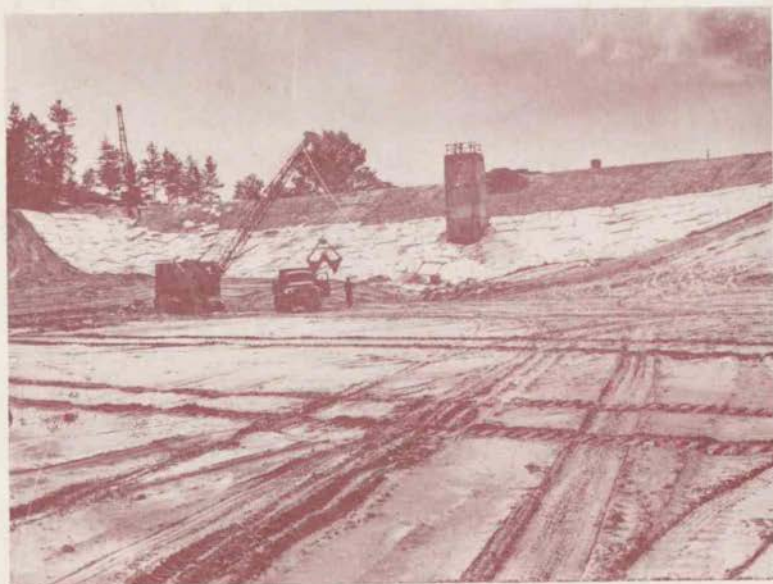
# Serial Bonds, June 30, 1954

Coupon Bonds	Date Issued		Amount Outstanding	D U E																			
				1954-55	1955-56	1956-57	1957-58	1958-59	1959-60	1960-61	1961-62	1962-63	1963-64	1964-65	1965-66	1966-67	1967-68	1968-69	1969-70	1970-71	1971-72	1972-73	1973-74
Airport.....	.75%	Feb. 1, 1946	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00																			
Airport Construction.....	.75%	Feb. 1, 1946	36,000.00	6,000.00	\$6,000.00	\$6,000.00	\$6,000.00	\$6,000.00	\$6,000.00														
High School Addition.....	1.25%	Oct. 1, 1941	6,000.00	3,000.00	3,000.00																		
Public Works Garage.....	1.25%	May 1, 1947	12,000.00	3,000.00	3,000.00	3,000.00	3,000.00																
Street Improvement.....	1.25%	Oct. 1, 1941	5,000.00	5,000.00																			
Permanent Roads.....	.25%	May 1, 1947	45,000.00	5,000.00	5,000.00	5,000.00	5,000.00	5,000.00	5,000.00	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00											
Moon Brook Sewer.....	3.75%	June 1, 1934	15,000.00	3,000.00	3,000.00	3,000.00	3,000.00	3,000.00															
Funding and Relief.....	3.75%	July 1, 1934	8,000.00	3,000.00	3,000.00	2,000.00																	
Main Area Sewer.....	3.50%	Nov. 15, 1934	13,000.00	4,000.00	4,000.00	4,000.00	1,000.00																
Mussey Brook Sewer.....	3.50%	Nov. 15, 1934	4,000.00	2,000.00	2,000.00																		
Flood Damage.....	1.50%	May 1, 1948	66,000.00	20,000.00	20,000.00	20,000.00	6,000.00																
Street Improvement.....	1.50%	June 1, 1949	15,000.00	3,000.00	3,000.00	3,000.00	3,000.00	3,000.00															
Main Extension.....	1.50%	June 1, 1949	15,000.00	3,000.00	3,000.00	3,000.00	3,000.00																
Street Improvement.....	1.50%	June 1, 1950	68,000.00	7,000.00	7,000.00	7,000.00	7,000.00	5,000.00	5,000.00	5,000.00	5,000.00	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00									
Main Extension.....	1.50%	June 1, 1950	12,000.00	3,000.00	3,000.00	3,000.00																	
Street Improvement.....	1.75%	June 1, 1951	38,000.00	4,000.00	4,000.00	3,000.00	3,000.00	3,000.00	3,000.00	3,000.00	3,000.00	3,000.00	3,000.00	3,000.00	3,000.00								
Main Extension.....	1.75%	June 1, 1951	12,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00								
Sidewalk and Curb.....	1.75%	June 1, 1951	10,000.00		1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00								
Street Improvement.....	1.50%	June 1, 1952	40,000.00	5,000.00	5,000.00	5,000.00	5,000.00	5,000.00	5,000.00	5,000.00													
Sidewalk and Curbing.....	1.50%	June 1, 1952	9,000.00	3,000.00	3,000.00	3,000.00																	
Main Extension.....	1.50%	June 1, 1952	6,000.00	2,000.00	2,000.00	2,000.00																	
School Construction.....	1.80%	Aug. 1, 1952	279,000.00				20,000.00	20,000.00	20,000.00	20,000.00	20,000.00	20,000.00	20,000.00	20,000.00	20,000.00	20,000.00	20,000.00	20,000.00	20,000.00	20,000.00	20,000.00	20,000.00	
Reservoir.....	2.30%	July 1, 1953	397,000.00	20,000.00	20,000.00	20,000.00	20,000.00	20,000.00	20,000.00	20,000.00	20,000.00	20,000.00	20,000.00	20,000.00	20,000.00	20,000.00	20,000.00	20,000.00	20,000.00	\$19,000.00			
West St. Construction.....	2.30%	July 1, 1953	30,000.00			3,000.00	3,000.00	3,000.00	3,000.00	3,000.00	3,000.00	3,000.00	3,000.00	3,000.00	3,000.00	3,000.00	3,000.00	3,000.00	3,000.00	3,000.00	3,000.00	3,000.00	
Street Construction.....	2.30%	July 1, 1953	65,000.00			6,000.00	6,000.00	6,000.00	6,000.00	6,000.00	6,000.00	6,000.00	6,000.00	6,000.00	6,000.00	6,000.00	6,000.00	6,000.00	6,000.00	6,000.00	6,000.00	6,000.00	
Sidewalk and Curbing.....	2.30%	July 1, 1953	10,000.00			1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00								
Total Serial Bonds...			\$1,221,000.00	\$110,000.00	\$101,000.00	\$104,000.00	\$100,000.00	\$85,000.00	\$76,000.00	\$70,000.00	\$70,000.00	\$65,000.00	\$60,000.00	\$60,000.00	\$59,000.00	\$45,000.00	\$40,000.00	\$40,000.00	\$40,000.00	\$39,000.00	\$20,000.00	\$20,000.00	\$17,000.00





*Construction begins on new 80 million gallon reservoir*



*Inside view of new reservoir nearing completion*